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To

THE REGISTRAR,

JUDICIAL COMMISSIONER'S COURT,

Central Provinces.

Dated Nagpur, the 14th May 1886.

SIR,

I am directed to acknowledge the receipt of the Judicial Commissioner's Report on the administration of Criminal Justice during the year 1885, which was submitted to the Officiating Chief Commissioner in print under cover of your letter No. 913, dated 22nd ultimo.

2. The returns show an increase both of reported and true crime. The number of true cases was 34,989 compared with 33,561 in 1884, Nagpur and Jubbulpore being the two districts which contributed chiefly to this increase. In Sambalpur there was a marked decrease in the number of true cases. As to the classes of offences in respect to which the returns show an increase, it is observed that offences against property rose from 18,030 to 18,813, offences under special and local laws from 5,139 to 5,726, and offences affecting the human body from 7,996 to 8,223. On the other hand, it may be noticed that offences relating to weights and measures, the number of which was abnormally large in 1884, decreased by one-half.

3. The increase of crime, especially of cognizable crime, in the year under report has been recently referred to in some detail by the Officiating Chief Commissioner in his Review of the last Annual Police Report, and except in regard to offences under certain special and local laws, in respect to which some observations will be made later on, this subject does not call for further notice here. Mr. Fitzpatrick, however, observes that the Judicial Commissioner makes mention of a case in Seoni in which a professional coiner was found in possession of some counterfeit rupees and some clay used in making moulds, and was sentenced to seven years' rigorous imprisonment, while it was reported by the Inspector General of Police that no case of false coining by a professional coiner had come to light during the year. The attention of the Inspector General will be drawn to this case.

4. The work of the Magistrates was heavier than in 1884, while the strength of the Magistracy, as shown in para. 15 of the Report, was below the strength of that year. The number of cases and persons disposed of was 23,940 and 40,158 respectively, compared with 23,073 and 37,612 in the preceding year; and it appears from the tables given in paras. 17 and 21 of the Report that, so

far as the number of persons disposed of affords a criterion of the amount of work done, the burden of the additional work imposed on the Magisterial Courts fell chiefly on Tahsildars. They had to bear a larger share of this burden than other Magistrates. As evidence of the increase of work, it may be noticed that the number of witnesses examined in the Courts of Magistrates was 98,550, compared with 90,102 in 1884.

5. The number of appeals disposed of by District Magistrates increased from 893 to 1,056. In the Courts of Session, the number of Sessions cases was about the same as in the preceding year, but the number of appeals disposed of increased from 829 to 968. There was no great difference in the amount of criminal appellate work which fell to the Commissioners of the Nagpur and Chhattisgarh Divisions, but in the Jubbulpore Division there was a large increase, while in the Nerbudda Division there was a considerable decrease, and the Judicial Commissioner observes that these fluctuations are not explained. The Chief Commissioner would have been glad to know whether they are attributable to any special causes; they are certainly very noticeable. Lastly, in the Court of the Judicial Commissioner there was a decrease both of appellate and revisional work.

6. The table given in paragraph 14 of the Report shows that the number of cases under the Police Act has nearly doubled, and that there has been a noticeable increase of cases under the Municipal and Forest Acts. On the other hand, there has been a marked decrease of cases under the Excise, Arms and Gambling Acts. The Nagpur district is conspicuous for a large increase in the number of prosecutions under the Municipal and Cantonment Acts. The prosecutions under the latter Act were ordered in the Cantonment of Kamptee, where prosecutions were numerous in 1884. Special attention was drawn to this subject in the Chief Commissioner's Review of last year's Report, and the institution of so many prosecutions in Kamptee was noticed with displeasure. The Officiating Chief Commissioner regrets to find that in spite of this warning, a still larger number of prosecutions has been instituted in 1885. Mr. Fitzpatrick has heard complaints of the action of the Cantonment Magistrate, Colonel Miller, from other quarters, and fears that he is an officer whose work requires close supervision; he is accordingly glad to find that the Judicial Commissioner is taking steps to exercise such supervision.

7. The increase of prosecutions under the Forest Act seems to have occurred chiefly in the Raipur and Jubbulpore districts. In the former they appear to have been necessary, but in the latter many of them would seem from the small percentage of convictions obtained to have been instituted without sufficient care. The matter, I am to say, will be enquired into, the Conservator of Forests being asked to report on it after communication with the Commissioner of the Jubbulpore Division.

8. Nimar is one of the border districts which is generally conspicuous for its large number of prosecutions under the Opium Act, and fifty such cases are reported from this district during the year. One case is mentioned by the Judicial Commissioner in which a Post Office official brought in contraband opium in the Post Office Railway Van, and was sentenced to three months' rigorous

imprisonment and a fine of Rs. 100. This penalty appears to the Officiating Chief Commissioner to be a too light one for such an offence, and I am to ask that the proceedings of the case may be called for and forwarded for his inspection.

9. Table C in paragraph 17 of the Report, showing the number of persons disposed of by the various classes of Magistrates, gives a fair general idea of the manner in which the criminal work of the year was distributed, and of the amount of work done by each class. Comparing it with the similar table in last year's Report, it will be found that the *proportion* of work done by Deputy Commissioners and their Assistants, and by Honorary Magistrates at the headquarters of districts, was much the same as in the previous year, while a larger proportion of work was got through by Tahsildars, and a smaller proportion by Honorary Magistrates in the interior of districts. The Judicial Commissioner, however, has justly observed that the number of cases disposed of is a better test of individual work than the number of persons dealt with, and that in estimating that work summary trials should be left out of consideration. It was in order to gain some such surer test of the value of the work done by the various classes of Magistrates that, in his Review of the Criminal Report for 1882, the Chief Commissioner suggested that tables should be inserted in future Reports showing the number of warrant cases disposed of otherwise than summarily by each class. These tables show that considerably fewer cases of this kind were disposed of by Deputy Commissioners in 1885 than in 1884, while all other Magistrates disposed of a larger number.

10. The total number of cases tried by Deputy Commissioners was 1,405 compared with 1,285 in the preceding year, but a large proportion of these cases and also of the cases tried by subordinate Stipendiary Magistrates exercising summary powers were tried summarily. The Officiating Chief Commissioner observes that the number of warrant cases disposed of otherwise than summarily by the Deputy Commissioners of Bhandara and Nimar, was extremely small, while the total number of cases disposed of by the Deputy Commissioners of those two districts, and by the Deputy Commissioners of Saugor and Chanda, is also insignificant. The Deputy Commissioner of Nimar disposed of only 19 cases, and the excuse put forward in the district report is the palpably insufficient one of "the absence of important cases and the non-arrest of previously convicted "offenders." All opium cases in this district are of more or less importance, and, as already noticed, there were 50 such cases alone in Nimar; and it is impossible to suppose that out of a total of 1,200 cases in the year, there were not more than 19 that were of sufficient importance to be tried by the Deputy Commissioner himself. The Officiating Chief Commissioner, however, does not wish it to be supposed that he attaches greater importance to Deputy Commissioners trying cases themselves than to their supervising the work of the subordinate Magistracy. This latter is perhaps the most important function of the Magistrate of the District, for, if he regularly examines a certain proportion of the cases tried by the subordinate Magistrates, he not only becomes familiar with the state of crime in his district, but also provides himself with the best opportunities of detecting where the Criminal administration of his district is weak and of applying the necessary remedies. Bhandara appears to be a district in which the

Deputy Commissioner might not only have disposed of more cases himself, but also have done more in the way of supervising the work of the subordinate Magistracy.

11. The Officiating Chief Commissioner is glad to observe that the Judicial Commissioner is able to report that the quality of the work of the Honorary Magistrates as a body is improving. Some of them have now had long experience on the Bench and afford valuable assistance to the Administration. The proceedings of others who lack experience, or who do not possess the good judgment of their fellows, have on the other hand to be carefully watched, and the task which is imposed on Deputy Commissioners of supervising their work, pointing out their mistakes and setting them right when they have gone wrong, is one which demands a considerable amount of patience and tact. That the exercise of such supervision is sometimes very necessary is illustrated by the reference made by the Judicial Commissioner in paragraph 28 of the Report to certain cases in which Honorary Magistrates were found to have imposed fines far out of proportion to the nature of the offences committed, especially in the case of offenders of the lower castes. Mr. Fitzpatrick regrets to learn that any Honorary Magistrates should have laid themselves open to the suspicion of allowing caste considerations to influence their decisions, and he trusts that the Judicial Commissioner may not again have reason to bring cases of this kind to notice.

12. The percentage (55·8) of persons convicted or committed for trial by Magistrates to the total number tried was very much the same as in 1884. The percentage (40·4) in the Narsinghpur district appears to the Officiating Chief Commissioner to be extraordinarily low, although it is a shade higher than in 1884, and he would be glad if the Judicial Commissioner would make this matter the subject of special enquiry on the occasion of his next inspection of the Narsinghpur Courts. The table in paragraph 25 of the Report shows that in trials before the Courts of Session the percentage of convictions was very low in the Nerbudda and Chhattisgarh Divisions, *viz.*, 39 and 40.

13. The most noticeable feature in the punishment returns is the increase in the percentage of sentences to fine only, which may be ascribed in the main to the increase of offences under the Police, Municipal, Cantonment and Forest Acts. The percentage (6.) of sentences to whipping is the same as in 1884, but in Bhandara the proportion of such sentences rose to the abnormally high rate of 20 per cent. It appears to be the practice in this district to invariably inflict whipping in all cases of petty thefts and thefts of grain committed by able-bodied men, and the Commissioner expresses disapproval of the practice, observing that "whipping is pre-eminently a kind of punishment the appropriateness "of which should always be considered with reference to the status of the "individual offender as well as with reference to the nature of the offence." The Officiating Chief Commissioner agrees in this observation, but he would add that as a rule those who commit petty thefts are not of such a social status that we need hesitate about sentencing them to whipping, and where there is an increase of petty thefts, an increase in the number of whipping sentences may ordinarily be looked for. In Bhandara, however, the Magistrates appear to have made a practice of awarding sentences of whipping in certain classes of cases without sufficient reflection as to the appropriateness of this form of punishment to the

particular offence and to the particular offender whose case was before them. Such procedure would be open to objection, whatever the particular kind of punishment inflicted, as it would tend to the adoption of stereotyped forms of punishment for particular classes of cases and to the disregard of the special surroundings of each case on which the nature and amount of the punishment that ought to be awarded so much depend.

14. It is satisfactory to find that there has been a considerable decrease in the number of persons sentenced to terms of imprisonment not exceeding fifteen days.

15. The re-conviction Statement is satisfactory, as affording evidence of greater success in proving previous convictions against old offenders. It is also satisfactory to learn that the punishments inflicted on old offenders are generally adequate, but I am to add that during the short time Mr. Fitzpatrick has been in these Provinces he has seen reason to apprehend that exceptions to this are not uncommon, and that it appears to him desirable that the officials of the Police and Jail Departments should be impressed with the importance of bringing previous convictions to notice, and that Judicial officers should deal very severely with offenders who have been convicted on several previous occasions.

16. Fines appear to have been imposed with greater judgment than in 1884, for although the total amount imposed was larger and the proportion of petty fines was smaller than in that year, the amount realized was greater and the amounts remitted by Appellate Courts and struck off as unrealizable were smaller.

17. In the matter of the detention of witnesses in Magisterial Courts, the Judicial Commissioner points out that, although the *proportion* of witnesses discharged on the first day was smaller, the actual number of witnesses examined and discharged on the first day was considerably greater than in the preceding year, and *this* with a decrease in the numerical strength of the Courts. The Officiating Chief Commissioner regrets to observe that in the Court of Mr. Trimbak Rao Sathe (Sambalpur) only 28·9 per cent of the witnesses were discharged on the first day, compared with a provincial average of 86·6, and that his dilatoriness is without excuse.

18. The average duration in Magistrates' Courts both in Police and complaint cases was longer than in the previous year. The duration in the former class of case was abnormally long in the Wardha district (5½ days), and the matter should be specially looked into by the Deputy Commissioner. The Officiating Chief Commissioner is pleased to find that there has been a general decrease in the duration of cases tried by the Courts of Session.

19. The percentage of persons whose appeals were rejected and dismissed in all Courts of appeal was the same as in 1884. A larger proportion of appeals were rejected and dismissed in the Court of the Judicial Commissioner and in the Courts of Session, and a smaller proportion in the Courts of District Magistrates. The percentage of appeals rejected and dismissed by Commissioners of Divisions are shown in paragraph 37 of the Report to be,—

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| Nagpur | ... | ... | 60 per cent. |
| Jubbulpore | ... | ... | 78 ,, |
| Nerbudda | ... | ... | 77 ,, |
| Chhattisgarh | ... | ... | 86 ,, |

The question is often discussed as to how far the percentage of appeals rejected and dismissed should be regarded as evidence of efficiency in the Appellate Court or the reverse. It would not, the Officiating Chief Commissioner thinks, be safe to found any inference on the figures here quoted and those given above them in the table in paragraph 37 of the Report without having them further analysed, but it is remarkable that, on comparing these two sets of figures, the percentage of appeals rejected by the Commissioners' Courts will be found to vary inversely in the ratio of the excellence of those Courts sitting as Courts of original jurisdiction.

20. It is observed that in the table in paragraph 17 of the Report the percentage of persons disposed of by Honorary Magistrates in the interior of districts should be 15·2, and not 5·2.

21. Mr. Fitzpatrick has already acknowledged in his Review of the Report on the administration of Civil Justice, the services of Mr. J. W. Neill, who held the post of Judicial Commissioner during the greater part of the year. He observes that the services of Mr. S. Ismay as Registrar are specially commended by the Judicial Commissioner, Mr. Crosthwaite.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient Servant,

F. C. ANDERSON,

Offg. Secretary.

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FROM

THE REGISTRAR,

JUDICIAL COMMISSIONER'S COURT,

Central Provinces.

To

THE SECRETARY TO THE CHIEF COMMISSIONER,

Central Provinces.

Dated Nagpur, the 16th March 1886.

SIR,

I have the honor to submit the Judicial (Criminal) Statements for 1885, with the following remarks.

2. The total number of offences reported and the total number of offences returned as true during the years 1884-1885, are shown below :—

A.—STATE OF CRIME.

| | Reported cases. | Cases rejected under Sec. 203, C. C. P. | Cases declared false. | True cases. | Percentage of true to reported cases. |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 1884 ... | 38,451 | 3,313 | 1,577 | 33,561 | 87·3 |
| 1885 ... | 40,503 | 3,998 | 1,516 | 34,989 | 86·4 |

There is a perceptible increase in the number of true cases, though the proportion to the number of cases reported has slightly decreased. More cases were rejected under Section 203, Criminal Procedure Code, and fewer cases were declared false than in the preceding year.

3. The following is a Comparative Statement showing the true cases reported under each class of offences during the past two years, details being given separately for each District in the Provinces :—

True offences reported.

# TABLE A.

## True offences reported under each class in 1884 and 1885 for each District in the Central Provinces.

| Districts. | Year. | Offences under the Penal Code. | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | Offence under special and local laws. | Total number of offences. |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | | Offences against the State, Chap. VI. | Offences against the Army and Navy, Chap. VII. | Offences against the public tranquillity, Chap. VIII. | Offences by or relating to public servants, Chap. IX. | Contempts of the lawful authority of public servants, Chap. X. | False evidence and offences against public officers, Chap. XI. | Offences relating to coin and Government Stamps Chap. XII. | Offences relating to weights and measures, Chap. XIII. | Offences affecting the public health, safety, convenience, decency and morals, Chap. XIV. | Offences relating to religion, Chap. XV. | Offences affecting the human body, Chap. XVI. | Offences against property Chap. XVII. | Offences relating to documents and to trade or property marks, Chap. XVIII. | Criminal breach of contracts and service, Chap. XIX. | Offences relating to marriage, Chap. XX. | Defamation, Chap. XXI. | Criminal intimidation, insult or annoyance, Chap. XXII. | Security for peace and good behaviour, and breach of other laws. | |
| Nagpur ... | 1885... | ... | ... | 11 | 3 | 43 | 24 | 4 | 2 | 27 | 1 | 947 | 1,723 | 4 | ... | 34 | 50 | 44 | 1,005 | 3,922 |
| | 1884... | ... | ... | 16 | 5 | 28 | 28 | 2 | 3 | 32 | ... | 869 | 1,359 | 5 | 1 | 25 | 36 | 44 | 562 | 3,015 |
| Chanda ... | 1885... | ... | ... | 5 | ... | 5 | 8 | 6 | 2 | 12 | 4 | 450 | 710 | ... | ... | 9 | 10 | 23 | 234 | 1,485 |
| | 1884... | ... | ... | 4 | 1 | 12 | 11 | 5 | 2 | 13 | 2 | 452 | 690 | ... | ... | 6 | 4 | 46 | 197 | 1,445 |
| Bhandara ... | 1885... | ... | ... | 4 | 2 | 18 | 5 | 3 | 8 | 7 | ... | 247 | 844 | ... | ... | 15 | 5 | 20 | 222 | 1,400 |
| | 1884... | ... | ... | 16 | 11 | 9 | 20 | 3 | 5 | 8 | 1 | 277 | 906 | ... | ... | 9 | 6 | 30 | 142 | 1,442 |
| Wardha ... | 1885... | ... | ... | 10 | 1 | 16 | 5 | 3 | 7 | 12 | ... | 670 | 831 | ... | ... | 22 | 7 | 20 | 390 | 1,994 |
| | 1884... | ... | ... | 13 | ... | 13 | 5 | 1 | 6 | 17 | ... | 653 | 699 | ... | ... | 14 | 7 | 22 | 237 | 1,687 |
| Balaghat ... | 1885... | ... | ... | 7 | 3 | 18 | 9 | 1 | 5 | 15 | 1 | 272 | 672 | ... | ... | 25 | 16 | 10 | 72 | 1,126 |
| | 1884... | ... | ... | 6 | 2 | 24 | 8 | 3 | 7 | 7 | ... | 260 | 682 | ... | ... | 15 | 10 | 20 | 173 | 1,217 |
| Jubbulpore ... | 1885... | ... | ... | 18 | 2 | 15 | 22 | 13 | 15 | 11 | 1 | 973 | 1,409 | 3 | ... | 50 | 60 | 49 | 950 | 3,591 |
| | 1884... | ... | ... | 20 | 1 | 15 | 14 | 6 | 4 | 10 | 2 | 718 | 1,263 | 1 | ... | 73 | 53 | 43 | 834 | 3,057 |
| Saugor ... | 1885... | ... | ... | 8 | 2 | 10 | 11 | 7 | 11 | 9 | ... | 560 | 1,606 | 2 | 1 | 30 | 41 | 23 | 573 | 2,894 |
| | 1884... | ... | ... | 11 | 1 | 14 | 27 | 6 | 4 | 5 | 1 | 526 | 1,367 | 4 | ... | 19 | 33 | 16 | 634 | 2,668 |
| Damoh ... | 1885... | ... | ... | 1 | 3 | 11 | 4 | 1 | ... | 5 | ... | 192 | 478 | 1 | ... | 6 | 17 | 4 | 113 | 836 |
| | 1884... | ... | ... | 2 | 3 | 12 | 3 | 6 | 17 | 4 | ... | 207 | 390 | ... | 1 | 8 | 13 | 3 | 101 | 769 |
| Seoni ... | 1885... | ... | ... | 2 | 4 | 6 | 13 | 2 | 4 | 7 | ... | 311 | 383 | ... | ... | 40 | 18 | 7 | 173 | 970 |
| | 1884... | ... | ... | 2 | 5 | 5 | 4 | 4 | 10 | 12 | ... | 258 | 459 | ... | ... | 32 | 15 | 6 | 164 | 976 |
| Mandla ... | 1885... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 3 | 6 | 4 | 1 | 1 | ... | 89 | 538 | ... | ... | 13 | 11 | 3 | 198 | 867 |
| | 1884... | ... | ... | ... | 4 | 4 | 5 | 2 | ... | ... | ... | 90 | 382 | ... | ... | 9 | 8 | 6 | 167 | 677 |
| Hoshangabad ... | 1885... | ... | ... | 10 | 4 | 21 | 15 | 2 | 10 | 29 | 1 | 634 | 1,173 | 4 | 2 | 37 | 35 | 11 | 378 | 2,366 |
| | 1884... | ... | ... | 14 | 1 | 41 | 38 | 3 | 66 | 17 | ... | 729 | 969 | 4 | ... | 40 | 18 | 22 | 351 | 2,313 |
| Betul ... | 1885... | ... | ... | 2 | 1 | 9 | 8 | 3 | 1 | 7 | 1 | 273 | 370 | 2 | ... | 21 | 6 | 17 | 122 | 843 |
| | 1884... | ... | ... | 2 | 1 | 7 | 11 | ... | 2 | 7 | ... | 258 | 440 | 1 | ... | 19 | 22 | 10 | 198 | 978 |
| Narsinghpur ... | 1885... | ... | ... | 14 | 1 | 7 | 9 | 3 | 2 | 5 | ... | 946 | 753 | ... | ... | 18 | 8 | 35 | 185 | 1,986 |
| | 1884... | ... | ... | 6 | 3 | 7 | 7 | 3 | 3 | 5 | ... | 950 | 684 | 2 | 1 | 8 | 1 | 59 | 235 | 1,974 |
| Chhindwara ... | 1885... | ... | ... | 3 | 1 | 8 | 3 | 2 | 1 | 15 | 1 | 220 | 403 | .. | ... | 5 | 2 | 4 | 179 | 845 |
| | 1884... | ... | ... | 13 | ... | 10 | 8 | 1 | 6 | 4 | 1 | 255 | 370 | 3 | ... | 9 | 1 | 9 | 198 | 888 |
| Nimar ... | 1885... | ... | ... | 7 | ... | 20 | 13 | 3 | 3 | 8 | 1 | 260 | 565 | ... | ... | 9 | 11 | 26 | 273 | 1,199 |
| | 1884... | ... | ... | 4 | 1 | 16 | 12 | 6 | 1 | 10 | ... | 301 | 620 | ... | ... | 19 | 21 | 58 | 239 | 1,358 |
| Raipur ... | 1885 .. | ... | ... | 30 | 10 | 17 | 43 | 10 | 3 | 19 | 2 | 606 | 2,238 | 3 | ... | 61 | 14 | 38 | 263 | 3,357 |
| | 1884... | ... | ... | 19 | 9 | 19 | 20 | 8 | ... | 31 | ... | 614 | 2,420 | 2 | ... | 47 | 16 | 31 | 221 | 3,457 |
| Sambalpur ... | 1885... | ... | ... | 8 | 10 | 11 | 24 | 1 | ... | 8 | 1 | 307 | 2,342 | 5 | 1 | 4 | 15 | 41 | 218 | 2,996 |
| | 1884... | ... | ... | 5 | 7 | 9 | 35 | 4 | 2 | 8 | ... | 363 | 2,718 | 4 | ... | 7 | 15 | 36 | 185 | 3,393 |
| Bilaspur ... | 1885... | ... | ... | 15 | 5 | 5 | 17 | 3 | ... | 5 | 1 | 266 | 1,775 | ... | ... | 13 | 15 | 14 | 178 | 2,312 |
| | 1884... | ... | ... | 6 | 8 | 22 | 22 | 4 | 12 | 11 | ... | 216 | 1,613 | 1 | ... | 43 | 23 | 10 | 251 | 2,241 |
| Total ... | 1885... | ... | ... | 155 | 52 | 241 | 239 | 71 | 75 | 209 | 15 | 8,223 | 18,813 | 24 | 4 | 412 | 341 | 389 | 5,726 | 34,989 |
| | 1884... | ... | ... | 159 | 62 | 267 | 278 | 67 | 150 | 201 | 7 | 7,996 | 18,030 | 97 | 3 | 402 | 302 | 471 | 5,139 | 33,561 |

Crime has increased considerably in Nagpur and Jubbulpore and to a less. degree in Wardha ; in Sambalpur the number of true cases has fallen from 3,398 to 2,998, and in Nimar from 1,358 to 1,199. The fluctuations in the totals for the other Districts are too small to require special notice.

Offences against public tranquility.

4. One serious case of rioting attended with murder is reported in Nagpur. It was an old case of 1884 and was alluded to in the report for that year. One of the accused had absconded into the Nizam's territory, but in 1885 he was arrested and convicted. Offences against public tranquillity have risen from 19 to 30 in number in Raipur. Thirteen of these were cases of affray of a more or less petty nature, and there were fifteen rioting cases, most of them of an ordinary description. In one of these cases forty-three persons were convicted for having prevented a marriage-procession of Chamars from passing through their village. The cases in the other Districts are unimportant and do not call for special notice.

Offences by or relating to public servants.

5. Cases falling under Chapter IX. of the Indian Penal Code have decreased from 62 to 52. One case of this description occurred in Nagpur in which a private person gave out that he was a Government Chaprassi and obtained money on the pretence that he would otherwise impress persons for the war with Russia which was then believed to be impending. A somewhat similar case occurred in Narsinghpur.

Contempts of the lawful authority of public servants.

6. The majority of cases under Chapter X. of the Code are prosecutions instituted by Civil Courts for resistance offered to processes. None of them possess any special interest.

False evidence and offences against public justice.

7. Offences against public justice have decreased in number from 278 to 239. The table given below shows how these cases were dealt with by the Courts in 1884 and 1885 :—

| | False evidence. | | Offences against Public justice | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| | 1884. | 1885. | 1884 | 1885 |
| Offences reported ... ... ... | 60 | 43 | 243 | 213 |
| Complaints rejected under Section 203 Criminal Procedure Code ... ... ... | 4 | 3 | 18 | 14 |
| Other cases struck off as false ... ... | ... | ... | 3 | ... |
| Balance returned as true... ... ... | 56 | 40 | 222 | 199 |
| Persons under trial ... ... ... | 82 | 55 | 295 | 249 |
| Acquitted or discharged ... ... | 55 | 25 | 86 | 85 |
| Convicted or committed ... ... | 26 | 24 | 195 | 155 |
| Died, escaped, or remaining under trial at close of year ... | 1 | 6 | 14 | 9 |

The decrease in the number of true cases has occurred both in cases of false evidence and in offences against public justice. There is a slight improve-

ment in the results of the former description of cases, but in offences against public justice the proportion of persons convicted to persons disposed of has diminished.

Offences relating to coin and Government stampts.

8. Offences relating to coin and Government stamps are almost the same in number as in 1884, and hardly call for any special remark. In Seoni, however, one case occurred in which a professional coiner was found in possession of some counterfeit rupees and some clay used in making moulds. He had twice previously been convicted and had only shortly before been released from jail. He was convicted and sentenced to seven years' rigorous imprisonment.

Offences relating to weights and measures.

9. The number of offences relating to weights and measures has fallen from 150 to 75, or exactly 50 per cent. In 1884 the large increase was chiefly due to the action of the Assistant Commissioner at Harda, and there was reason to believe that the prosecutions were not always well advised. The subject was alluded to in the last report, and it was pointed out that a fraudulent intention was an essential element of the offence. In the District of Hoshangabad alone the number of these cases has fallen from 66 to 10, and the decrease in the number of prosecutions is probably due to a more correct understanding of the law. The three cases in Raipur occurred in the Bindra Nowagarh Zamindari and were tried before the Deputy Commissioner, who writes :—

> "It appeared that traders bartered salt for lac weight for weight, and the yards were so constructed that the receptacle for the goods to be weighed was attached to the yard by a loop put on to a button attached to the yard. The manner in which the loop was put on made a considerable differencs, for if the loop hung from the front of the button the quantity weighed was less than if suspended from the back, and the traders, by a dexterous twist of the wrist, could make the desired change as they weighed their salt or the villagers' lac. The difference I found was six *chattaks* in a *ser*."

The Deputy Commissioner of Raipur reports that in consequence of complaints being made that two sets of measures were in use in the Baloda bazaar, one for buying and the other for selling, "arrangements have been made by "the District Council to have correct weights and measures in charge of a "Moharir and weighman to be appointed by the District Council and super- "vised by a Local Committee. Any one desiring his goods to be measured or "weighed by the official weighman can do [so on payment of a small fee, but no "one will be compelled to do so." There were no prosecutions for offences relating to weights and measures in Sambalpur in 1885 and only two cases in 1884, but it is reported that the people are frequently defrauded by the Cuttack dealers who purchase rice for export. The District Council of Sambalpur have also taken up the question of introducing something like uniformity in the different kinds of "tambis" (a local measure of weight) in use in the District, and until that is done it will be difficult to secure convictions for fraudulent practices.

Offences affecting the public health, safety or convenience.

10. Offences affecting the public health, safety or convenience were most numerous in the District of Hoshangabad, where the increase of twelve cases is due to the action of the Magistracy at Harda. There were ten of these cases, under Section 273 Indian Penal Code, in Harda alone. The Deputy Commissioner reports that some of these prosecutions were not judicious and the attention of the subordinate Magistrates was drawn to the matter.

11. The number of offences affecting the human body has risen from 7,996 to 8,223. The increase is chiefly noticeable in the District of Jubbulpore, where the figures have increased from 718 to 973. In other Districts the fluctuations are for the most part trifling, though in Hoshangábad there is a decrease of 95 in the number of cases of this description. In the District of Jubbulpore the increase is chiefly in minor offences against the person, though the number of murders increased from 4 to 15, and cases of grievous hurt from 20 to 36. These cases and the other heinous offences against the person in the Provinces appear to have been of an ordinary character and do not call for special notice.

Offences affecting the human body.

Turning to minor offences affecting the human body, the following table shows the manner in which the Magisterial Courts have dealt with complaint of hurt and common assault (side-headings 31 and 34) in 1884 and 1885:—

| | 1884. | 1885. |
|---|---|---|
| Offences reported ... | 9,096 | 9,700 |
| Complaints rejected under Section 203, Criminal Procedure Code ... | 1,665 | 2,121 |
| Other cases struck off as false ... | 215 | 236 |
| Balance returned as true ... | 7,216 | 7,333 |
| Number of persons under trial ... | 13,776 | 14,007 |
| Acquitted or discharged ... | 8,883 | 8,824 |
| Convicted ... | 4,549 | 4,756 |
| Died, escaped, or remaining under trial at close of year ... | 344 | 427 |

These figures show a considerable improvement on the results for the year 1884. Although the number of offences reported increased from 9,096 to 9,700 the number returned as true only shows an increase of 117 cases; and while the number of persons under trial has increased the number of persons acquitted or discharged shows a slight decrease, and the number of persons convicted an increase of more than 200. The percentage of convictions to persons under trial (33·9) is however low.

There is much less hesitation in dismissing complaints under Section 203, Criminal Procedure Code, than there used to be, and there can be no doubt that, so far as the examination of the complainant is concerned, the provisions of Criminal Procedure Circular No. 46 are now more widely known and better understood, though the results vary considerably in different Districts. In the Nagpur Division it is to be observed that the District of Bhandara, which shows the largest proportion of cases rejected under Section 203, Criminal Procedure Code, both under side-headings 31 and 34, (35·6 and 51·8 per cent respectively) shows also the lowest proportion of convictions to disposals under each heading. Under side-heading 34, no less than 200 out of 386 complaints were summarily rejected. Commenting on this the Commissioner of Nagpur writes:—

"This looks like over-doing it, and yet out of the 342 persons who were brought to trial before the Magistrates, no less than 258 (75 per cent) were acquitted. * * It looks as if the Magistrates did not use much discrimination in rejecting complaints. * * Under both side-headings the district* which has the best proportion of convictions has the smallest proportion of complaints summarily rejected and *vice versa*. It is very remarkable that the results should be so exactly opposite to what one would naturally expect. * * I have no doubt whatever that the Magistrates of Bhandara * * have been rejecting complaints in a very arbitrary and summary manner."

* BALAGHAT.

| | |
|---|---|
| Complaints reported ... | 300 |
| „ rejected ... | 51 |
| Persons acquitted or discharged ... | 197 |
| Persons convicted ... | 235 |

The Deputy Commissioner of Narsinghpur writes:—

"I know that Magistrates try to make out whether there is any truth in the complaints brought; complainants however set forth very plausible stories. Where the Magistrates chiefly err is in summoning too many accused persons."

Of course discretion is necessary in the use of the powers given by Sections 202 and 203, Criminal Procedure Code, but the Judicial Commissioner would point out that those sections are especially of use in rejecting complaints where the subject matter of dispute is fundamentally of a civil nature, and complaints of too trivial a nature to form the basis of a criminal charge. It must always be difficult to detect off-hand what complaints are absolutely false, and it would be wrong to reject a complaint on the mere suspicion that it is false if the facts alleged justify a criminal prosecution and the Magistrate after examining the complainant is unable to say that there is no sufficient ground for proceeding with the case. A closer attention to the instructions contained in Criminal Procedure Circular No. 46 (*as to the issue of process in complaint cases*) would have led to better results. The error noticed by the Deputy Commissioner of Narsinghpur is no doubt of frequent occurrence.

Offences against property.

12. The number of offences against property has increased from 18,030 to 18,813, the increase being mainly in thefts of a petty nature.

There were eight cases of dacoity in Nimar during the year, and of these six are said to have been committed by Tantia Bhil and his gang, who took away property to the value of Rs. 5,398 and burned and destroyed property to the value of Rs. 10,693. There were three trials in connection with these cases, but none of them affected the real culprits. There were four cases of dacoity in Saugor, but no details are given by the Deputy Commissioner. In one case the mail-cart was robbed betwen Saugor and Kareli.

In Nagpur offences against property have increased from 1,359 to 1,723 in number. The increase is chiefly under ordinary thefts, which alone show an increase of 270 cases, and this is said to be due to the failure of two *kharif* or autumn crops in succession. In Saugor the increase of 140 cases of ordinary theft and 83 cases of house-breaking, it is suggested, may be due to increased activity among the criminal classes on the frontier in Gwalior and Bhopal. Without statistics it is impossible to say what foundation there is for the suggestion. The Deputy Commissioner of Hoshangabad ascribes the increase of offences against property in his District to the disorganized state of the police in 1884, whose whole time during that year, he says, was taken up in watching Tantia, and whose regular work was in consequence neglected. The Deputy Commissioners of Raipur, Sambalpur and Bilaspur report a curious movement among the women in their Districts, called the "Striraj" or "Tiriaraj" which has had some effect on the criminal statistics of the year. The Commissioner of the Chhattisgarh Division reports on this occurrence as follows :—

"A number of women of a village having put on male pagris and dhotis went armed usually with axes, in a body, to a neighbouring village, seized on one or more he-goats, hacked them to death in a frenzy, and then cutting off the heads threw them into the malguzar's enclosure or "guri," and carried off the carcasses. The women of the village where the heads were left were told to do likewise, if they did not wish some great calamity to happen. The women therefore carried one head at least to the next village and in this way the "Striraj" movement spread from place to place."

Regarding the origin of the movement, the Deputy Commissioner of Bilaspur writes :—

> " Among the votaries of the goddess Devi (the non-Vedic female deity, the personification of destructive nature and disease)—votaries belonging chiefly to the Non-Aryan or Semi-Aryan tribes—there exists a tradition that the goddess goes mad once in every generation, and that the world is then turned upside down, women become the ruling sex and are responsibe for their own shortcomings and also for those of their subjects —that the burden of responsibility thus laid upon them is more than they can bear, and that sacrifices to the goddess are necessary to propitiate her and re-call her to her senses (or else to expiate their sins), and he-goats are almost always selected, though occasionally cocks and pigs have been sacrificed."

It is said that during the rule of the Bhonsla dynasty about 40 years ago sacrifices of goats were thus made for a week or ten days, and that a similar occurrence about 70 years ago can be remembered which lasted longer. This "Stri raj" movement seems to have commenced in Bilaspur, whence it spread rapidly over the Chhattisgarh Division. The cases were many of them treated as cases of theft, though some were regarded as more properly cases of mischief; while in some cases in Sambalpur the accused were acquitted on the extraordinary ground that the killing of the goats was in accordance with the custom of the country, and that the owners of the goats had not withheld their consent. As soon as the persons concerned discovered that they were liable to a criminal prosecution, the movement subsided as rapidly as it had arisen. It is impossible to say how far this movement has affected the criminal returns, as the number of goat cases has not been reported, but in spite of it we find that in Raipur the total number of offences against property decreased from 2,420 to 2,238, and in Sambalpur from 2,718 to 2,342, while in Bilaspur the increase of offences of this description was almost wholly confined to cases of criminal trespass. The decrease in Raipur, where the number of ordinary thefts fell from 1,622 to 1,390, is attributed to greater prosperity among the people and to the Railway work early in the year, and in Sambalpur, where the same class of cases decreased from 1856 to 1581, to improved management of the police in the Zamindaris and to the establishment of a police out-post in the Rampur Zamindari. In Bilaspur the number of ordinary theft cases is practically the same as in 1884, and the increase in the number of cases of criminal trespass, which have risen from 422 to 563, is explained to be due (1) to drought in September and consequent failure of the rice-crop, and (2) to the outbreak of cholera, in consequence of which people deserted their homes, which in many cases were plundered in their absence. The slight increase in the number of cases of mischief which is common to all the Districts of the Chhattisgarh Division, and is largest in Bilaspur, is attributed to the "Striraj" movement, though how far this is a fact it is impossible to say without statistics. Many of these cases in the Chhattisgarh Division involved disputes of a civil nature, and in Raipur most of them were complaints brought by ryots against landlords for forcible ejectment. In Mandla the increase of offences against property is said to be due partly to better reporting and partly to the fact that no marriages took place among Hindus during the year, the poorer classes being consequently deprived of a means of livelihood. In Seoni the decrease is attributed (1) to the continued cheapness of food-grains, and (2) to the unusual sickness and mortality in the District, which possibly checked reporting. House-trespass cases increased

in number from 70 to 113 in Jubbulpore, but no cause is assigned. There was one important case of breach of trust in Mandla where the treasurer's cashier had embezzled some 800 rupees. He was convicted and sentenced to two years' rigorous imprisonment.

Offences relating to marriage, cases of defamation, criminal intimidation, insult or annoyance.

13. The following table shows the action of the Magistrates in offences relating to marriage (side-heading 70), cases of defamation (side-heading 71), and cases of criminal intimidation, insult or annoyance (side-headings 72 and 73) in 1884 and 1885.

| Side-headings ... ... ... | 70 | | 71 | | 72&73 | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | 1884. | 1885. | 1884. | 1885. | 1884. | 1885. |
| Cases reported ... ... ... | 630 | 625 | 638 | 697 | 672 | 594 |
| „ rejected under Sec. 203, Criminal Procedure Code | 223 | 213 | 334 | 355 | 201 | 199 |
| „ struck off as false .. ... .. | ... | ... | 2 | 1 | ... | 6 |
| Balance returned as true ... ... | 402 | 412 | 302 | 341 | 471 | 389 |
| Persons under trial ... ... | 459 | 519 | 424 | 484 | 764 | 642 |
| „ acquitted or discharged ... ... | 344 | 368 | 306 | 372 | 487 | 445 |
| „ convicted ... .. | 84 | 100 | 113 | 90 | 261 | 165 |
| Died, escaped, or pending at close of year ... | 31 | 51 | 5 | 22 | 16 | 32 |

The number of offences relating to marriage and of cases of defamation has slightly increased, while the number of cases of criminal intimidation, insult or annoyance has fallen from 471 to 389. In none of these cases can the proportion of convictions to acquittals be considered satisfactory. Most of the cases of defamatien and of criminal intimidation, insult or annoyance were of a trivial nature and many were not proper subjects for a criminal complaint. All these cases are confined chiefly to the lower classes of people, and many probably are instituted merely with the object of harassing the accused persons or with a view to obtaining money compensation.

Offences under special and local laws.

14. The nnmber of true cases reported under the principal headings during 1884 and 1885, is shown below :—

| | 1884. | 1885. |
|---|---|---|
| Security for keeping the peace ... ... | 33 | 50 |
| Security for good behavour ... ... | 208 | 195 |
| Arms Act ... ... | 119 | 42 |
| Cantonment Act ... ... | 849 | 850 |
| Cattle trespass Act ... .. | 291 | 277 |
| Forest Act ... ... | 480 | 668 |
| Gambling Act ... .. | 93 | 48 |
| Municipalities Act ... ... | 1,202 | 1,353 |
| Opium Act ... ... | 351 | 356 |
| Police Act ... ... | 590 | 1,106 |
| Railway Act ... ... | 92 | 58 |
| Excise Act ... ... | 706 | 602 |
| Stamp Act ... ... | 74 | 51 |

The number of offences under special and local laws has increased from 5,139 to 5,726. The increase has occurred mainly in breaches of Forest law and offences under the Municipalities and Police Act. The number of offences under the latter Act have nearly doubled. On the other hand, there has been a considerable falling off in the number of cases under the Arms and Excise Acts.

Examining the figures for the different Districts we find that the increase in the total number of offences under special and local laws is most noticeable in Nagpur, Wardha and Jubbulpore. In Nagpur the figures have risen from 562 to 1,005, and this increase is due (1) to the prosecution of a large number of persons for committing nuisances along the Railway line, (2) to prosecutions under the Cantonment Act. These last alone have risen from 297 to 495 in consequence of the apparently too vigorous action of the Kamptee Cantonment Magistrate. These prosecutions were very numerous in the same Cantonment last year, and were noticed with disapproval by the Chief Commissioner in his review of the Criminal Administration report for 1884. The remarks then made have apparently had no effect on the action of the Kamptee Cantonment Magistrate. The Deputy Commissioner of Nagpur complains that under the Act he has no control over the proceedings of the Cantonment Magistrate. He has apparently overlooked the provisions of Section 3 of the Act under which he has the same control over the Kamptee Cantonment Magistrate as over any Magistrate in charge of a Division of a District. He will be directed to watch carefully the administration of the law by the Cantonment Magistrate and to examine from time to time the register of summary trials held by that officer, which the Commissioner says showed, when inspected last December, an unnecessary institution of many prosecutions and a frequent imposition of excessive fines. The summary trial Register of the Cantonment Magistrate's Court for last year will also be examined by the Judicial Commissioner. In Wardha the number of Municipal cases has risen from 59 to 216, and the number of offences under the Police Act from 71 to 102, but there is no reason to suppose that any of these prosecutions were unnecessary. In Jubbulpore the number of offences under special and local laws has increased from 834 to 950. The increase is chiefly in offences under the Forests Act, the Municipalities Act and the Police Act. The increase under the Municipalities and Police Acts is mainly due to the action of the Deputy Commissioner in prosecuting persons for not covering up latrines so as to prevent their contents from being washed away by the rains. The prosecutions do not appear to have been unnecessary or injudicious. The same cannot, however, be said of the prosecutions under the Forests Act, which increased from 181 to 267, while the proportion of convictions to disposals decreased from 51·1 to 24·2 per cent.

In Saugor the number of offences under special and local laws has decreased from 634 to 573. The decrease is due to the falling off in the number of prosecutions under the Military Cantonment Act from 291 to 198. In Hoshangabad opium cases have increased by 21, cases under the Police Act by 29, and cases under the Railway Act have decreased by 31; but the fluctuations are not so large as to require explanation. In Nimar there were no prosecutions under the Arms Act during the year. These cases were discouraged owing to the activity of the dacoits in the District and villagers were encouraged to carry arms to defend themselves. There were fifty opium cases during the year in Nimar, and as the Deputy Commissioner says, smuggling is likely to continue so long as opium is so much cheaper in Holkar's territory. Severe punishments are inflicted when offenders are caught, and rewards are granted liberally. In one case a Post office official was convicted of smuggling opium by concealing it in the Post office Railway van. He was sentenced to three months' rigorous imprisonment and fine of Rs. 100.

In Raipur forest cases have increased from 20 to 120 in number. The prosecutions were all sanctioned by the Deputy Commissioner and appear to have been necessary. The Deputy Commissioner reports that in these cases the offenders had either on previous occasions been allowed to compromise and had again broken the law or had refused to compromise by paying double duty.

In Sambalpur the out-break of cholera necessitated increased sanitary precautions, and offences under the Police Act consequently increased from 35 to 91. The increase in the number of Municipal cases was also due to the same cause.

In Bilaspur the number of cases under the Arms Act fell from 71 to 1; but the number was unusually large in 1884, as was stated in the report for that year. Prosecutions under the Police Act increased from 49 to 74 in consequence of the action of the Tahsildars of Mungeli and Seorinarain. The Commissioner of the Chhattisgarh Division examined some of their cases and says :—

> "In most of these cases the offences were of a very trifling nature, and the action of the Police in prosecuting such cases was, I consider, injudicious. The trying Magistrates had entirely overlooked the Circular instructions contained in Criminal (K) Practice No. 6 (*prosecutions under Section 34 of the Police Act*). The Deputy Commisssioner's attention was accordingly drawn to this irregular action of the Police, and instructions issued to the effect that prosecution of such petty cases was not desirable."

## B.—Tribunals.

Number and distribution of Magistrates.

15. The following table shows the strength of the Magistracy at the close of the year:—

TABLE B.

Number and distribution of Magistrates.

| Districts | Stipendiary Magistrates. | | | Honorary Magistrates. | | | Remarks. |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | 1st class including Deputy Commissioners. | 2nd class. | 3rd class. | 1st class. | 2nd class. | 3rd class. | |
| Nagpur | 5 | 4 | ... | 1 | a11 | 1 | *a* Includes 8 Magistrates of the Benches at Nagpur. |
| Chanda | 3 | 4 | ... | ... | 1 | 1 | |
| Bhandara | 3 | 3 | ... | 1 | ... | ... | *b* Bench at Jubbulpore |
| Wardha | 2 | 3 | ... | ... | 5 | 2 | |
| Balaghat | 2 | 1 | 1 | ... | ... | ... | *c* Includes 6 Magistrates of the Bench at Murwara. |
| Jubbulpore | 4 | 4 | ... | ... | *b*6 | *c*7 | |
| Saugor | 4 | 4 | ... | ... | 1 | *d*2 | *d* Bench at Saugor. |
| Damoh | 2 | 1 | 1 | ... | 3 | ... | *e* Includes 6 Magistrates of the Bench at Badnur. |
| Seoni | 2 | 2 | ... | ... | ... | ... | |
| Mandla | 3 | 1 | ... | ... | 1 | ... | *f* Includes 2 Magistrates of the Bench at Gadarwara. |
| Hoshangabad | 5 | 5 | ... | ... | 5 | 2 | |
| Betul | 2 | 2 | ... | ... | ... | *g*7 | *g* Includes 5 Magistrates of the Bench at Khandwa. |
| Narsinghpur | 3 | 2 | ... | ... | 3 | *f*4 | |
| Chhindwara | 2 | 2 | ... | ... | 1 | ... | *h* Includes 5 Magistrates of the Bench at Raipur. |
| Nimar | 5 | 2 | 1 | ... | 1 | *g*7 | |
| Raipur | 5 | 4 | ... | ... | 1 | *h*12 | |
| Sambalpur | 2 | 3 | ... | ... | 3 | ... | |
| Bilaspur | 4 | 3 | ... | ... | ... | ... | |
| Total | 58 | 50 | 3 | 2 | 42 | 45 | |

Among stipendiary Magistrates there has been a decrease of two in the first class, an increase of two in the second, and a decrease of four in the third class. There has been no change in the number of Benches of Honorary Magistrates, but the number of Bench Magistrates has fallen from 49 to 40, and the number of Honorary Magistrates sitting singly from 55 to 49.

| Magistrates exercising summary powers. | | |
|---|---|---|
| Cantonment Magistrates | ... | 4 |
| Assistant Commissioners | ... | 3 |
| Extra Assistant Commissioners | ... | 22 |
| Bench of Honorary Magistrates | at Jubbulpore | 1 |
| Ditto | at Narsinghpur | 1 |
| Ditto | at Khandwa | 1 |
| | | 32 |

16. *Power to try summarily.* Besides Magistrates of Districts, 32 Magistrates of the classes detailed in the margin were at the close of the year empowered to try summarily as compared with 39 at the end of 1884.

## C.—Distribution of Work.

Distribution of work.

17. Tables C and D below show in what manner the work of the year has been distributed amongst the various classes of Magistrates in each District, and the proportion of cases disposed of summarily:—

## TABLE C.

### Distribution of Work.

| Districts. | Persons disposed of by | | | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | Deputy Commissioners. | Cantonment Magistrates, Assistant Commissioners and Extra Assistant Commissioners at Head Quarters. | Tahsildars at District Head-Quarters. | Honorary Magistrates at District Head-Quarters. | Stipendiary Magistrates in the interior of Districts. | Honorary Magistrates in the interior of Districts. | Total. |
| Nagpur ... ... | 324 | 1,586 | 22 | 1,171 | 758 | 613 | 4,474 |
| Chanda ... ... | 71 | 415 | ... | ... | 1,079 | 101 | 1,666 |
| Bhandara ... ... | 41 | 867 | 362 | 23 | 676 | .. | 1,969 |
| Wardha ... ... | 79 | 645 | 111 | ... | 464 | 1,645 | 2,944 |
| Balaghat ... ... | 129 | 502 | 524 | ... | 212 | ... | 1,367 |
| Jubbulpore ... ... | 154 | 1,618 | 259 | 1,010 | 732 | 259 | 4,032 |
| Saugor ... ... | 52 | 1,032 | 450 | 685 | 840 | ... | 3,059 |
| Damoh ... ... | 107 | 245 | 192 | 109 | 103 | 104 | 860 |
| Seoni ... ... | 111 | 268 | 159 | 462 | 393 | ... | 1,393 |
| Mandla ... ... | 135 | 319 | 237 | 13 | 198 | ... | 902 |
| Hoshangabad ... ... | 71 | 350 | 209 | 364 | 1,272 | 352 | 2,618 |
| Betul ... ... | 106 | 305 | 54 | 417 | 209 | ... | 1,091 |
| Narsinghpur ... ... | 133 | 230 | 231 | 420 | 415 | 1,174 | 2,603 |
| Chhindwara ... ... | 130 | 118 | 503 | 192 | 241 | ... | 1,184 |
| Nimar ... ... | 24 | 406 | 181 | 210 | 137 | 361 | 1,319 |
| Raipur ... ... | 279 | 1,182 | 136 | 270 | 1,723 | 948 | 4,538 |
| Sambalpur ... ... | 177 | 406 | 752 | ... | 288 | 532 | 2,155 |
| Bilaspur ... ... | 102 | 832 | 309 | ... | 741 | ... | 1,984 |
| Total ... | 2,225 | 11,326 | 4,691 | 5,346 | 10,481 | 6,089 | 40,158 |
| Percentage ... | 5·5 | 28·2 | 11·7 | 13·3 | 26·1 | 5·2 | 100· |

# TABLE D.

## Use of Summary Powers.

| Districts. | Total number of cases tried by Stipendiary Magistrates exercising summary powers. | | | Number of cases tried summarily. | | | Percentage of cases tried summarily to total cases tried. |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | By Magistrate of District. | By Stipendiary Subordinate Magistrate | Total. | By Magistrate of District | By Stipendiary Subordinate Magistrate. | Total. | |
| Nagpur ... | 250 | 888 | 1,138 | 182 | 530 | 712 | 62·6 |
| Chanda ... | 38 | 282 | 320 | 1 | 42 | 43 | 13·4 |
| Bhandara ... | 30 | 552 | 582 | 8 | 212 | 220 | 37·8 |
| Wardha ... | 52 | 335 | 387 | 3 | 138 | 141 | 36·4 |
| Balaghat ... | 83 | 307 | 390 | 30 | 133 | 163 | 41·8 |
| Jubbulpore ... | 116 | 793 | 909 | 30 | 309 | 339 | 37 3 |
| Saugor ... | 38 | 438 | 476 | 1 | 26 | 27 | 5·7 |
| Damoh ... | 72 | 172 | 244 | 45 | 48 | 93 | 38·1 |
| Seoni ... | 49 | 178 | 227 | 12 | 100 | 112 | 49 3 |
| Mandla ... | 112 | ... | 112 | 79 | ... | 79 | 70 5 |
| Hoshangabad .. | 41 | 221 | 262 | ... | 38 | 38 | 14·5 |
| Betul ... | 80 | ... | 80 | 25 | ... | 25 | 31·2 |
| Narsinghpur ... | 67 | 156 | 223 | 9 | 27 | 36 | 16·1 |
| Chhindwara ... | 95 | 96 | 191 | 51 | 39 | 90 | 47·1 |
| Nimar ... | 19 | 266 | 285 | 1 | 74 | 75 | 26·3 |
| Raipur ... | 130 | 289 | 419 | 3 | 26 | 29 | 6·9 |
| Sambalpur ... | 74 | 234 | 308 | 32 | 19 | 51 | 16·6 |
| Bilaspur .. | 59 | 61 | 120 | 9 | 47 | 56 | 46 7 |
| Total ... | 1,405 | 5,268 | 6,673 | 521 | 1,808 | 2,329 | 34·9 |

The total number of persons dealt with by the Magistrates has been 40,158, against 37,612 in the preceding year. The number of persons disposed of by Deputy Commissioners practically remains the same as in 1884. The proportion of work done by other stipendiary Magistrates at Head-quarters has risen from 37·7 to 39·9 per cent, and by stipendiary Magistrates in the interior of Districts from 25·9 to 26·1 per cent.

In the Nagpur Division Deputy Commissioners have disposed of 96 persons less, but 137 cases more, than in 1884. The increase in the work done by the Deputy Commissioner of Nagpur is chiefly in summary trials. In Bhandara the number of persons disposed of by the Deputy Commissioner has fallen from 181 to 41, and the number of cases from 86 to 30; but no explanation of this decrease has been given. In Wardha the increase of work has fallen mainly on the Extra Assistant Commissioner.

In the Jubbulpore Division 103 persons, and 80 cases have been disposed of by Deputy Commissioners more than in the preceding year. Each Deputy Commissioner has got through a greater amount of work, with the exception of the Deputy Commissioner of Damoh, who states that he has been able to do less criminal work in consequence of the large increase in his civil appellate work. The work done by Honorary Magistrates in Damoh has also fallen off considerably; four Honorary Magistrates having disposed of only 213 cases during the year, and this is said to be due to the want of regularity in their sittings. One of these Honorary Magistrates is reported to have done no work at all the last two years. He has not been entered in Table B., and his name might with advantage be removed from the list. The work done by the Deputy Commissioner of Saugor is still very small; he disposed of only 38 cases in 1885, and might take a larger share of the work without losing control over his subordinates.

In the Narbada Division, the Deputy Commissioner of Hoshangabad has disposed of only 41 cases involving 71 persons, as against 71 cases involving 132 persons disposed of in the preceding year. The decrease is said to be due to the increase of civil appellate work, and as a matter of fact the number of civil regular appeals disposed of by the Deputy Commissioner increased from 89 in 1884 to 300 in 1885. The Deputy Commissioner of Nimar disposed of only 19 cases involving 24 persons in 1885, as against 75 cases involving 160 persons in 1884, and the Deputy Commissioner says, that the decrease is due to "the absence of important cases and the non-arrest of previously convicted offenders." The small amount of work done by the Tahsildar at Betul is due to his having been engaged in settling forest boundary disputes during the early part of the year. It is doubtful whether there is enough work for four Criminal Courts at the Sadar Station in this District. The bulk of the petty work fell to the share of the Bench of Honorary Magistrates. Honorary Magistrates disposed of more work in every District of the Narbada Division, except in Hoshangabad and Narsinghpur. Narsinghpur lost three Honorary Magistrates during the year, one by death, the other two ceasing to exercise Magisterial powers.

In the Chhattisgarh Division the Deputy Commissioners of Raipur and Sambalpur, have disposed of more, and the Deputy Commissioner of Bilaspur of fewer cases than in 1884. In Raipur there was for some time no first class Subordinate Magistrate to whom important cases could be sent for disposal, and in Sambalpur the Extra Assistant Commissioner was engaged in other work. The decrease in the Deputy Commissioner's Court at Bilaspur is said to be due to the frequent changes in the presiding officers.

18. The proportion of work done by Honorary Magistrates at Head-quarters is the same as in 1884, but the proportion of work done in the interior of Districts has fallen from 17·1 to 15·2 per cent. The number of persons disposed of by all Honorary Magistrates is almost exactly the same as in 1884, and taking into consideration the decrease in the number of Honorary Magistrates in the Provinces, the quantity of work disposed of by each is, on the average greater. The quality of their work is also improving, and is spoken of favourably by most Deputy Commissioners.

Work done by Honorary Magistrates.

19. The names of Honorary Magistrates who rendered most assistance during the year are given below :—

| District. | Town or residence of Honorary Magistrate. | Names of Honorary Magistrates. | Class. | Number of accused persons disposed of. |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| | | *A.—At District Head-quarters.* | | |
| Nagpur ... | Nagpur ... | Mukund Balkrishn Buti ... | 1st class .. | 384 |
| Ditto ... | Ditto ... | Bench No. 3 ... | 2nd class ... | 365 |
| Jubbulpore ... | Jubbulpore ... | Bench of Magistrates ... | ditto ... | 1,010 |
| Saugor ... | Saugor ... | Rao Luchman Rao ... | ditto ... | 310 |
| Ditto .. | Ditto .. | Bench of Magistrates ... | 3rd class ... | 375 |
| Seoni ... | Seoni ... | Surgeon-Major J. B. Gaffney | 1st class ... | 462 |
| Hoshangabad ... | Hoshangabad ... | Raja Kamran Shah ... | 2nd class ... | 208 |
| Betul ... | Budnur ... | Bench of Magistrates ... | 3rd class ... | 272 |
| Narsinghpur ... | Narsinghpur ... | Tikaram Seth ... | 2nd class ... | 420 |
| Nimar .. | Khandwa ... | Bench of Magistrates ... | 3rd class ... | 208 |
| Raipur ... | Raipur ... | Bench of Magistrates ... | ditto ... | 270 |
| | | *B.—At places in the interior where there is also a Stipendiary Magistrate.* | | |
| Wardha ... | Hinganghat ... | Sunder Narayen .. | 2nd class ... | 499 |
| Jubbulpore ... | Murwara ... | Bench of Magistrates ... | 3rd class ... | 259 |
| Narsinghpur ... | Gadarwara ... | Bench of Magistrates ... | ditto ... | 325 |
| | | *C.—At places in interior where there is no Stipendiary Magistrate.* | | |
| Wardha ... | Ashti ... | Nawab Wahid Khan ... | 2nd class ... | 205 |
| Ditto ... | Deoli ... | Ram Rao Sadasheo ... | ditto ... | 310 |
| Ditto ... | Sindi ... | Ramchunder Jairam ... | 3rd class ... | 341 |
| Narsinghpur ... | Singhpur ... | Thakur Dhuraj Singh ... | 2nd class ... | 337 |
| Ditto ... | Tendukhera ... | Pandit Vital Rao ... | 3rd class ... | 338 |
| Raipur ... | Rajim Station-house ... | Raghoba Malguzar ... | ditto ... | 432 |
| Sambalpur ... | Padampur ... | Babu Harihar Singh ... | 2nd class ... | 367 |

20. The proportion of cases tried summarily by Deputy Commissioners to the total number of cases disposed of by them has increased considerably, chiefly in consequence of the very

Use of summary powers.

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large number (182) tried summarily by the Deputy Commissioner of Nagpur. Summary powers were also very extensively used by the Deputy Commissioner of Mandla, who disposed of 79 cases out of 112 in this manner. The Deputy Commissioner does not offer any explanation of the high proportion. The proportion of cases disposed of summarily to the total number of cases disposed of by all Magistrates invested with summary powers has risen from 32·6 to 34·9 per cent. The proportion is greatest in Nagpur and Mandla. In Nagpur the high proportion is mainly due to the action of the Kamptee Cantonment Magistrate, who disposed of 319 cases summarily and only 32 cases under the regular procedure, but the great majority of the cases before this Magistrate were of a petty nature for which the summary procedure was appropriate. 622 cases were disposed of summarily by Honorary Magistrates at Jubbulpore, Seoni, Gadarwara and Nimar out of a total number of 1,296 cases disposed of by them.

21. The following tables show the amount and proportion of criminal work done by the different classes of Magistrates during the last five years. The tables asked for by the Chief Commissioner in his review of the Criminal Report for 1882 are also added. As was pointed out last year it should be borne in mind that the number of cases disposed of is a surer test of individual work than the number of persons dealt with and that for purposes of comparison summary trials should be omitted.

## TABLE E.

### Work done by Deputy Commissioners.

| Districts. | Persons disposed of. | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | 1881. | 1882. | 1883. | 1884. | 1885. |
| Nagpur ... | 134 | 146 | 66 | 305 | 324 |
| Chanda .. | 120 | 118 | 83 | 51 | 71 |
| Bhandara ... | 165 | 259 | 163 | 181 | 41 |
| Wardha ... | 62 | 23 | 79 | 109 | 79 |
| Balaghat ... | 192 | 240 | 120 | 94 | 129 |
| Jubbulpore ... | 128 | 133 | 179 | 95 | 154 |
| Saugor ... | 149 | 105 | 42 | 47 | 52 |
| Damoh ... | 61 | 158 | 167 | 149 | 107 |
| Seoni ... | 112 | 157 | 100 | 65 | 111 |
| Mandla .. | 95 | 141 | 225 | 100 | 135 |
| Hoshangabad ... | 47 | 146 | 42 | 132 | 71 |
| Betul .. | 71 | 158 | 177 | 139 | 106 |
| Narsinghpur ... | 325 | 275 | 134 | 158 | 133 |
| Chhindwara ... | 177 | 157 | 128 | 151 | 130 |
| Nimar ... | 141 | 255 | 135 | 160 | 24 |
| Raipur ... | 145 | 193 | 181 | 72 | 279 |
| Sambalpur ... | 643 | 151 | 133 | 71 | 177 |
| Bilaspur ... | 300 | 188 | 84 | 178 | 102 |
| Total ... | 3,067 | 3,003 | 2,238 | 2,257 | 2,225 |
| Percentage to total disposed of by all Magistrates ... | 7·8 | 7·2 | 5·7 | 6 0 | 5·5 |

## TABLE F.

Work done by Cantonment Magistrates, Assistant Commissioners and Extra Assistant Commissioners.

| Districts. | Persons disposed of | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | 1881. | 1882. | 1883. | 1884, | 1885. |
| Nagpur ... | 715 | 1,207 | 1,398 | 1,290 | 1,586 |
| Chanda ... | 394 | 542 | 455 | 401 | 415 |
| Bhandara ... | 641 | 721 | 942 | 1,168 | 867 |
| Wardha ... | 723 | 895 | 470 | 274 | 645 |
| Balaghat ... | 254 | 524 | 519 | 492 | 502 |
| Jubbulpore .. | 2,240 | 1,816 | 1,394 | 1,082 | 1,618 |
| Saugor ... | 1,114 | 996 | 930 | 1,023 | 1,032 |
| Damoh ... | 447 | 428 | 172 | 143 | 245 |
| Seoni ... | 553 | 737 | 745 | 163 | 268 |
| Mandla ... | 469 | 401 | 306 | 307 | 319 |
| Hoshangabad .. | 275 | 401 | 777 | 300 | 350 |
| Betul ... | 104 | 366 | 421 | 335 | 305 |
| Narsinghpur ... | 243 | 296 | 278 | 295 | 230 |
| Chhindwara ... | 127 | 51 | 116 | 140 | 118 |
| Nimar ... | 977 | 1,147 | 568 | 565 | 406 |
| Raipur .. | 1,071 | 1,112 | 1,514 | 1,156 | 1,182 |
| Sambalpur ... | 1,117 | 1,160 | 906 | 606 | 406 |
| Bilaspur .. | 723 | 896 | 1,067 | 778 | 832 |
| Total ... | 12,167 | 13,696 | 12,978 | 10,518 | 11,326 |
| Percentage to total disposed of by all Magistrates ... | 30·6 | 33 1 | 33·2 | 28·0 | 28·2 |

## TABLE G.

Work done by Tahsildars.

| Districts. | Persons disposed of. | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | 1881. | 1882. | 1883. | 1884. | 1885. |
| Nagpur .. | 981 | 891 | 749 | 720 | 780 |
| Chanda ... | 1,034 | 1,043 | 995 | 1,101 | 1,079 |
| Bhandara .. | 936 | 947 | 1,057 | 689 | 1,038 |
| Wardha ... | 363 | 406 | 260 | 430 | 575 |
| Balaghat .. | 911 | 989 | 813 | 862 | 736 |
| Jubbulpore .. | 1,415 | 1,549 | 1,218 | 1,243 | 991 |
| Saugor ... | 1,733 | 1,664 | 1,304 | 1,016 | 1,290 |
| Damoh ... | 421 | 368 | 327 | 282 | 295 |
| Seoni ... | 878 | 516 | 530 | 468 | 552 |
| Mandla ... | 552 | 615 | 301 | 382 | 435 |
| Hoshangabad ... | 1,077 | 1,321 | 1,162 | 1,569 | 1,481 |
| Betul ... | 617 | 477 | 669 | 443 | 263 |
| Narsinghpur ... | 280 | 347 | 708 | 365 | 646 |
| Chhindwara ... | 511 | 695 | 682 | 644 | 744 |
| Nimar ... | 815 | 610 | 299 | 261 | 318 |
| Raipur ... | 1,281 | 1, 446 | 1,641 | 1,259 | 1,859 |
| Sambalpur ... | 861 | 494 | 443 | 893 | 1,040 |
| Bilaspur ... | 1,116 | 955 | 902 | 771 | 1,050 |
| Total ... | 15,782 | 15,333 | 14,060 | 13,398 | 15,172 |
| Percentage to total disposed of by all Magistrates ... | 39·6 | 37· | 36· | 35 6 | 37·8 |

# TABLE H.

## Work done by Honorary Magistrates.

| Districts. | Persons disposed of | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | 1881. | 1882. | 1883. | 1884. | 1885. |
| Nagpur ... | 2,202 | 2,154 | 1,910 | 1,568 | 1,784 |
| Chanda ... | 83 | 135 | 144 | 127 | 101 |
| Bhandara ... | 111 | 175 | 121 | 50 | 23 |
| Waidha ... | 1,633 | 1,693 | 1,670 | 1,601 | 1,645 |
| Balaghat ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... |
| Jubbulpore ... | 302 | 942 | 1,137 | 1,192 | 1,269 |
| Saugor ... | 603 | 661 | 526 | 658 | 685 |
| Damoh ... | 127 | 175 | 242 | 237 | 213 |
| Seoni ... | ... | ... | ... | 506 | 462 |
| Mandla ... | 5 | 7 | 2 | 9 | 13 |
| Hoshangabad ... | 1,272 | 1,262 | 1,483 | 1,002 | 716 |
| Betul ... | 223 | 148 | 32 | 275 | 417 |
| Narsinghpur ... | 814 | 948 | 1,607 | 2,101 | 1,594 |
| Chhindwara ... | 170 | 157 | 295 | 105 | 192 |
| Nimar ... | 401 | 209 | 221 | 607 | 571 |
| Raipur ... | 354 | 377 | 120 | 1,151 | 1,218 |
| Sambalpur ... | 445 | 348 | 275 | 250 | 532 |
| Bilaspur ... | 37 | ... | ... | ... | ... |
| Total ... | 8,782 | 9,391 | 9,785 | 11,439 | 11,435 |
| Percentage to total disposed of by all Magistrates ... | 22· | 22·7 | 25· | 30·4 | 25 8 |

Table showing the number of warrant cases disposed of otherwise than summarily by District Magistrates and their subordinates during the five years 1881—85.

### Deputy Commissioners.

| Districts. | Warrant cases disposed of in | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | 1881. | 1882. | 1883. | 1884. | 1885. |
| Nagpur ... | 73 | 89 | 31 | 45 | 54 |
| Chanda ... | 51 | 55 | 19 | 30 | 34 |
| Bhandara ... | 49 | 50 | 43 | 66 | 14 |
| Wardha ... | 37 | 16 | 32 | 44 | 35 |
| Balaghat ... | 77 | 72 | 40 | 28 | 46 |
| Jubbulpore ... | 64 | 75 | 78 | 51 | 80 |
| Saugor ... | 92 | 65 | 20 | 26 | 34 |
| Damoh ... | 30 | 47 | 31 | 28 | 22 |
| Seoni ... | 41 | 39 | 29 | 17 | 31 |
| Mandla ... | 29 | 36 | 67 | 24 | 22 |
| Hoshangabad ... | 29 | 62 | 25 | 53 | 38 |
| Betul ... | 31 | 43 | 20 | 33 | 37 |
| Narsinghpur ... | 92 | 83 | 33 | 66 | 58 |
| Chhindwara ... | 60 | 48 | 29 | 26 | 24 |
| Nimar ... | 20 | 39 | 49 | 32 | 10 |
| Raipur ... | 71 | 100 | 96 | 33 | 114 |
| Sambalpur ... | 177 | 39 | 46 | 39 | 33 |
| Bilaspur ... | 106 | 90 | 38 | 37 | 46 |
| Total ... | 1,129 | 1,048 | 726 | 678 | 277 |

## Cantonment Magistrates, Assistant Commissioners and Extra Assistant Commissioners.

| Districts. | Warrant csses disposed of in | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | 1881. | 1882. | 1883. | 1884. | 1885. |
| Nagpur ... | 282 | 375 | 365 | 308 | 304 |
| Chanda ... | 142 | 126 | 135 | 131 | 150 |
| Bhandara ... | 169 | 203 | 236 | 216 | 207 |
| Wardha . ... | 179 | 169 | 121 | 65 | 130 |
| Balaghat ... | 52 | 96 | 70 | 75 | 140 |
| Jubbulpore ... | 568 | 529 | 458 | 370 | 470 |
| Saugor ... | 280 | 233 | 314 | 311 | 351 |
| Damoh .. | 106 | 140 | 107 | 83 | 96 |
| Seoni ... | 113 | 139 | 154 | 43 | 59 |
| Mandla ... | 96 | 82 | 70 | 66 | 156 |
| Hoshangabad ... | 272 | 360 | 319 | 270 | 293 |
| Betul ... | 33 | 166 | 149 | 171 | 159 |
| Narsinghpur ... | 107 | 107 | 118 | 123 | 102 |
| Chhindwara ... | 55 | 33 | 62 | 55 | 51 |
| Nimar ... | 423 | 307 | 207 | 192 | 213 |
| Raipur ... | 367 | 418 | 542 | 415 | 496 |
| Sambalpur ... | 380 | 256 | 229 | 299 | 205 |
| Bilaspur ... | 244 | 344 | 283 | 304 | 250 |
| Total ... | 3,868 | 4,083 | 3,939 | 3,497 | 3,832 |

## Tahsildars.

| Districts. | Warrant cases disposed of in | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | 1881. | 1882. | 1883. | 1884. | 1885. |
| Nagpur ... ... | 206 | 182 | 217 | 240 | 253 |
| Chanda ... ... | 399 | 411 | 322 | 357 | 344 |
| Bhandara ... ... | 351 | 352 | 360 | 262 | 367 |
| Wardha ... ... | 90 | 80 | 71 | 90 | 128 |
| Balaghat ... ... | 386 | 352 | 248 | 245 | 215 |
| Jubbulpore ... ... | 441 | 444 | 372 | 388 | 327 |
| Saugor ... ... | 598 | 636 | 493 | 417 | 534 |
| Damoh ... ... | 128 | 141 | 158 | 109 | 144 |
| Seoni ... ... | 241 | 131 | 135 | 106 | 135 |
| Mandla ... ... | 143 | 247 | 111 | 152 | 176 |
| Hoshangabad ... ... | 174 | 278 | 286 | 347 | 364 |
| Betul ... ... | 193 | 165 | 159 | 110 | 70 |
| Narsinghpur ... ... | 103 | 122 | 149 | 13 | 170 |
| Chhindwara ... ... | 133 | 230 | 166 | 182 | 146 |
| Nimar ... ... | 52 | 39 | 34 | 27 | 52 |
| Raipur ... ... | 604 | 628 | 715 | 576 | 589 |
| Sambalpur ... ... | 347 | 162 | 129 | 373 | 402 |
| Bilaspur ... ... | 481 | 385 | 356 | 295 | 335 |
| Total ... | 5,070 | 4,985 | 4,481 | 4,289 | 4,751 |

Honorary Magistrates.

| Districts. | Warrant cases disposed of in | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | 1881. | 1882. | 1883. | 1884. | 1885. |
| Nagpur ... ... | 593 | 530 | 373 | 419 | 519 |
| Chanda ... ... | 40 | 39 | 26 | 28 | 30 |
| Bhandara ... ... | 53 | 68 | 39 | 11 | 2 |
| Wardha ... ... | 351 | 336 | 240 | 220 | 249 |
| Balaghat ... ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... |
| Jubbulpore ... ... | 113 | 129 | 240 | 281 | 267 |
| Saugor ... ... | 155 | 66 | 63 | 91 | 62 |
| Damoh ... ... | 44 | 38 | 48 | 22 | 11 |
| Seoni ... ... | ... | ... | ... | 138 | 127 |
| Mandla ... ... | 3 | 5 | 2 | 6 | 7 |
| Hoshangabad ... ... | 194 | 164 | 151 | 91 | 95 |
| Betul ... ... | 21 | 19 | 1 | 12 | 29 |
| Narsinghpur ... ... | 216 | 258 | 204 | 251 | 300 |
| Chhindwara ... ... | 63 | 54 | 70 | 41 | 87 |
| Nimar ... ... | 129 | 90 | 88 | 161 | 139 |
| Raipur ... ... | 136 | 144 | 61 | 393 | 334 |
| Sambalpur ... ... | 182 | 125 | 108 | 111 | 175 |
| Bilaspur ... ... | 13 | ... | ... | ... | ... |
| Total ... | 2,306 | 2,065 | 1,717 | 2,276 | 2,433 |

## D.—The action of Tribunals of Original Jurisdiction.

22. There were altogether 40,971 persons under inquiry and trial before Magistrates during the year. Of these 17,036 were acquitted or discharged, 22,877 were convicted or committed to the Court of Session, while 245 died, escaped or were transferred, and 816 (including 3 lunatics) remained under trial at the close of the year. The percentage of persons convicted or committed for trial to the total number tried has been almost the same as in the preceding year, viz 55·8 against 55·4.

Persons under trial and proportion of convictions.

Tables I. and J. show the proportion of persons convicted under the principal headings of offences and the proportion convicted in each District.

# TABLE I.

Result of trials and inquiries by Magistrates under selected offences.

| Number of head of crime (Statement No. I.) | Description of selected offences. | Number of persons disposed of by discharge, acquittal, conviction, or committal. | Convicted or committed. | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | | | Number. | Percentage in 1885. | Percentage in 1884. |
| 3—5 | Offenecs against public tranquillity ... | 956 | 740 | 77 | 73 |
| 6—7 | Offenecs by or relating to public servants ... | 68 | 46 | 68 | 51 |
| 8 | Contempts of the lawful authority of public servants ... ... | 418 | 233 | 56 | 61 |
| 9 | Fales evidence and offences against public cfficers ... ... | 49 | 24 | 49 | 32 |
| 10 | Offences against public justice ... | 240 | 155 | 65 | 69 |
| 11 | Offences relating to coin ... ... | 68 | 47 | 69 | 72 |
| 12 | „ „ to stamps ... ... | 4 | ... | ... | ... |
| 13 | „ „ to weights and measures ... | 89 | 69 | 77 | 79 |
| 14—17*a* | Offences affecting the public health, safety, convenience, &c. ... ... | 293 | 242 | 83 | 69 |
| 19 | Murder ... ... ... ... | 180 | 136 | 75 | 73 |
| 21 | Culpable homicide ... ... ... | 22 | 10 | 45 | 88 |
| 31 | Hurt ... .. ... .. | 3,754 | 1,480 | 39 | 36 |
| 34 | Criminal force or assault ... ... | 9,827 | 3,277 | 33 | 33 |
| 40 | Rape ... ... ... ... | 61 | 20 | 33 | 44 |
| 43 | Theft (ordinary and of cattle) ... ... | 7,217 | 5,605 | 78 | 77 |
| 44 | Extortion with aggravating circumstances ... | 4 | 1 | 25 | 100 |
| 46—48 | Robbery ... ... ... ... | 74 | 33 | 45 | 53 |
| 49—52 | Dacoity ... ... ... ... | 35 | 22 | 63 | 76 |
| 53 | Criminal misappropriation of property ... | 168 | 120 | 71 | 78 |
| 54 | Criminal breach of trust ... ... | 320 | 199 | 62 | 69 |
| 55 | Receiving or habitually dealing in stolen or plundered property ... ... | 373 | 249 | 67 | 67 |
| 56 | Cheating ... ... ... | 183 | 68 | 37 | 38 |
| 58 | Mischief with aggravating circumstances .. | 109 | 53 | 49 | 38 |
| 59 | Mischief ordinary ... ... ... | 734 | 352 | 48 | 34 |
| 61 | Criminal trespass for commission of various offences ... ... ... | 2,044 | 1,564 | 76 | 78 |
| 62 | „ „ other cases, house-breaking, house-trespass or breaking open a closed receptacle ... | 1,976 | 981 | 50 | 50 |
| 63 | Forgery, or uttering or possessing forged documents ... ... ... | 45 | 15 | 33 | 46 |
| 71 | Defamation ... ... ... | 462 | 90 | 19 | 27 |
| 72—73 | Criminal intimidation, insult or annoyance ... | 610 | 165 | 27 | 35 |
| 77,92,97 | Nuisances under the Cantonment Municipal and Police Acts ... ... .. | 2,598 | 3,227 | 90 | 88 |
| 82 | Breaches of law relating to Cattle trespass ... | 641 | 281 | 44 | 42 |
| 87 | „ „ Forests ... | 1,534 | 1,059 | 69 | 72 |
| 88 | „ „ Gambling ... | 344 | 240 | 70 | 69 |
| 93 | „ „ Opium .. | 427 | 305 | 71 | 74 |
| 103 | „ „ Railways ... | 66 | 60 | 91 | 66 |
| 106 | „ „ Spirits and Drugs.. | 729 | 606 | 83 | 85 |
| 107 | „ „ General Stamps ... | 75 | 68 | 91 | 75 |

## TABLE J.

Results of trials and inquiries by Magistrates in each District.

| Districts. | Persons under trial. | Convicted or committed. | Acquitted or discharged. | Died, escaped, transferred or remaining. | Percentage of persons convicted or committed to persons tried |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Nagpur ... ... | 4,541 | 2,684 | 1,729 | 128 | 59·1 |
| Chanda ... ... | 1,704 | 977 | 688 | 40 | 57 3 |
| Bhandara ... ... | 2,011 | 1,159 | 795 | 57 | 57·6 |
| Wardha ... .. | 2,967 | 1,419 | 1,520 | 28 | 47 9 |
| Balaghat ... ... | 1,410 | 861 | 493 | 56 | 61·1 |
| Jubbulpore ... ... | 4,086 | 2,000 | 2,031 | 55 | 48 9 |
| Saugor ... ... | 3,118 | 1,818 | 1,227 | 73 | 58 3 |
| Damoh ... ... | 869 | 622 | 234 | 13 | 71·6 |
| Seoni ... .. | 1,410 | 746 | 632 | 34 | 52·9 |
| Mandla ... ... | 908 | 625 | 277 | 6 | 68·8 |
| Hoshangabad ... ... | 2,665 | 1,232 | 1,350 | 83 | 46·2 |
| Betul ... ... | 1,108 | 561 | 521 | 26 | 50·6 |
| Narsinghpur ... .. | 2,653 | 1,072 | 1,498 | 83 | 40 4 |
| Chhindwara ... ... | 1,204 | 811 | 353 | 40 | 67·3 |
| Nimar ... ... | 1,338 | 706 | 603 | 29 | 52·7 |
| Raipur ... .. | 4,725 | 2,879 | 1,656 | 190 | 60 9 |
| Sambalpur ... .. | 2,239 | 1,517 | 636 | 86 | 67·8 |
| Bilaspur ... .. | 2,015 | 1,188 | 793 | 34 | 58 9 |
| Total ... | 40,971 | 22,877 | 17,036 | 1,061* | 55 8 |

* Includes 3 persons who are in the Lunatic Asylum.

23. There are no very remarkable changes in the proportion of convictions and committals under the different heads of crime. In cases of hurt, theft (side-heading 43) and mischief, the proportion has increased; in cases of criminal force or assault and house-breaking (side-heading 62) the proportion is the same; and in cases of criminal trespass (side-heading 61) and criminal intimidation the proportion is smaller than in 1884.

24. Turning to Table J. the worst results are shown in the Districts of Narsinghpur, Hoshangabad, Wardha and Jubbulpore, and the best in Damoh, Mandla, Sambalpur, Chhindwara, Balaghat and Raipur. The proportion of persons convicted and committed to persons tried for the whole of the Provinces is practically the same as in 1884. The proportion is still lowest in Narsinghpur, where, however, there is a slight improvement. In Wardha the worst results are in the Honorary Magistrates' Courts, and, as the Deputy Commissioner observes, there can be no improvement until Honorary Magistrates exercise more care in sifting complaints before issuing processes. In Hoshangabad the low proportion is also due to the indiscriminate action of Honorary Magistrates. In Betul the proportion has fallen from 60·7 to 50 6 per cent, and the Deputy Commissioner remarks that :—"The bench is not empowered to order a previous local investigation into the truth of a complaint. Hence with them it must be always difficult to discern right off on a complaint of assault being instituted whether it is true or false." This is hardly a reason for a falling off in the proportion of convictions, as the bench had the same powers in 1884. Possibly the real cause is to be found in the fact that the number of offences against property and of cases under the Municipalities and Police Acts decreased during

the year, while the number of offences affecting the human body increased slightly. The Deputy Commissioner of Raipur says :—"The small proportion "of convictions in some Courts is due partly to carelessness in admitting cases, but "chiefly, I think, to there being conflicting evidence, and the Magistrate not being "able to make up his mind as to which set of witnesses to believe, and therefore "giving the accused the benefit of the doubt. In many of these cases more "trouble spent in cross-examining and less timidity in forming an opinion would "lead to better results." The Deputy Commissioner of Sambalpur reports that there is no hesitation among his subordinate Magistrates in rejecting cases under Section 203, Criminal Procedure Code, and that the danger is rather the other way, in rejecting cases too readily. Several applications have been made to him to reverse orders summarily rejecting complaints passed without any enquiry having been made, as required by Section 202, Criminal Procedure Code. The falling off in the percentage of convictions in Jubbulpore is largely due to the institution of a number of Forest cases which ended in being compounded. With regard to the low percentage of convictions in Honorary Magistrates' Courts it must be noted that the class of offences tried in those Courts is one in which the percentage of convictions is always lowest.

Commitments to Courts of Session.

25. The number of persons committed for trial to the Courts of Session is shown below :—

| | | Cases. | Persons. | Percentage of convictions. |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Nagpur | ... ... | 26 | 47 | 71· |
| Jubbulpore | ... ... | 32 | 50 | 70· |
| Nerbudda | ... .. | 17 | 40 | 39· |
| Chhattisgarh | ... ... | 23 | 40 | 40· |
| Total | 1885. ... | 98 | 177 | 56· |
| | 1884. ... | 94 | 208 | 59· |

## E.—Punishments.

26. Prescribed Statement 5 and Additional Statement IV. show details of punishments inflicted by Sessions and Magisterial Courts during the year.

Punishment inflicted by Sessions and Magisterial Courts.

The following table compares the sentences passed in Sessions Courts in 1884 and 1885 :—

### TABLE K.

Punishments in Sessions Court.

| Class of punishment. | | 1884. | 1885. |
|---|---|---|---|
| Death | ... ... | 19 | 21 |
| Transportation for life | ... ... | 38 | 35 |
| Do. for a term | ... ... | 1 | 2 |
| Rigorous imprisonment | ... ... | 38 | 40 |
| Simple imprisonment | ... ... | ... | ... |
| Fine only | ... ... | ... | ... |
| Whipping only | ... ... | ... | ... |
| Total | ... | 96 | 98 |

27. Table L shows District by District the number and proportion of persons sentenced to different kinds of punishment in the Courts of all Magistrates.

Proportion of different kinds of punishment.

# TABLE L.

## Punishments in Magisterial Courts.

| Districts. | Total number of persons punished. | Fine only. | | Whipping only. | | Fine and whipping only. | | Imprisonment only. | | Imprisonment with fine or whipping or both. | | Solitary confinement. | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | | Number of persons. | Percentage to total punished. | Number of persons. | Percentage to total punished. | Number of persons. | Percentage to total punished. | Number of persons. | Percentage to total punished. | Number of persons. | Percentage to total punished. | Number of persons. | Percentage to total imprisoned |
| 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 | 10 | 11 | 12 | 13 | 14 |
| Nagpur ... ... | 2,631 | 916 | 73· | 48 | 2· | ... | ... | 529 | 20· | 138 | 5· | 57 | 11· |
| Chanda ... ... | 961 | 62 | 65· | 59 | 6· | ... | ... | 232 | 24· | 42 | 4· | 34 | 15· |
| Bhandara ... ... | 1,126 | 58 | 52· | 230 | 20· | ... | ... | 270 | 24· | 42 | 4· | 27 | 10· |
| Wardha ... ... | 1,404 | 1,101 | 78· | 62 | 4· | ... | ... | 200 | 14· | 41 | 3· | 16 | 8· |
| Balaghat ... ... | 853 | 504 | 59· | 53 | 6· | ... | ... | 258 | 30· | 38 | 4· | 26 | 10· |
| Jubbulpore ... .. | 1,966 | 1,444 | 73· | 90 | 5· | ... | ... | 363 | 18· | 69 | 3· | 39 | 11· |
| Saugor ... ... | 1,754 | 1,111 | 63· | 97 | 5· | ... | ... | 419 | 24· | 127 | 7· | 65 | 15· |
| Damoh ... ... | 604 | 337 | 56· | 47 | 8· | ... | ... | 180 | 30· | 40 | 6· | 15 | 8· |
| Seoni ... ... | 727 | 501 | 69· | 43 | 6· | ... | ... | 145 | 20· | 38 | 5· | 16 | 11· |
| Mandla ... .. | 622 | 269 | 43· | 85 | 14· | ... | ... | 188 | 30· | 80 | 13· | ... | ... |
| Hoshangabad ... .. | 1,188 | 749 | 63· | 26 | 2· | ... | ... | 285 | 24· | 128 | 11· | 22 | 8· |
| Betul ... .. | 554 | 341 | 62· | 47 | 8· | ... | ... | 147 | 23· | 19 | 3· | 4 | 3· |
| Narsinghpur ... ... | 1,040 | 678 | 65· | 23 | 2· | ... | ... | 234 | 22· | 105 | 10· | 9 | 4· |
| Chhindwara ... ... | 802 | 610 | 76 | 23 | 3· | ... | ... | 113 | 14· | 56 | 7· | 6 | 5· |
| Nimar ... ... | 705 | 444 | 63· | 22 | 3· | ... | ... | 166 | 23· | 73 | 10 | 8 | 5· |
| Raipur ... ... | 2,848 | 1,690 | 59· | 230 | 8· | ... | ... | 830 | 29· | 98 | 3· | 46 | 5· |
| Sambalpur ... ... | 1,505 | 755 | 50· | 118 | 8· | ... | ... | 568 | 38· | 64 | 4· | 30 | 5· |
| Bilaspur ... ... | 1,180 | 658 | 56· | 94 | 8· | ... | ... | 308 | 26· | 120 | 10· | 21 | 7· |
| Total ... | 22,470 | 14,320 | 64· | 1,397 | 6· | ... | ... | 5,435 | 24· | 1,318 | 6· | 441 | 8· |

In the Nagpur Division Wardha continues to show the largest proportion of sentences of fine only, though there is a falling off since 1884. On the other hand, the proportion in the District of Nagpur has increased from 69 to 73 per cent, owing no doubt to the large number of offences under the Police and Military Cantonment Acts. In the Court of the Kamptee Cantonment Magistrate, the proportion of sentences of fine only is 95 7 per cent, but the great majority of cases in this Court were of a petty nature for which fine was the only appropriate punishment. 91·8 per cent is a high proportion for the Court of the First Bench of Honorary Magistrates at Nagpur. There is no apparent reason for the large increase in the proportion of sentences of fine only in Chanda, from 55 to 65 per cent. The fluctuations in petty crime were too small to warrant such an increase. In Bhandara the proportion of sentences of fine only decreased from 56 to 52 per cent; but the most noticeable feature in the figures for this District is the increase in the proportion of sentences of whipping, which has risen from 12 to 20 per cent. In connection with this the Commissioner of the Nagpur Division writes:—

> "This is due to the action of the Tahsildar at Tirora, who passed 123 sentences of whipping out of a total of 265 punishments inflicted by him. This is 46 per cent. There is much reason to fear that this officer has abused the power, yet the figure does not seem to have struck the Deputy Commissioner as at all abnormal, for he does not notice it. He says: 'In cases of petty thefts and thefts of grain committed by able-bodied men the sentence of whipping was invariably inflicted as the most appropriate.' I infer that the Deputy Commissioner has issued orders to this effect; but if so, his action cannot be commended. To inculcate that the disgraceful punishment of whipping should be invariably inflicted for any class of offence is a course which I am sure will not meet with the approval of the Administration. Whipping is pre-eminently a kind of punishment the appropriateness of which should always be considered with reference to the status of the individual offender as well as with reference to the nature of the offence."

The Judicial Commissioner agrees generally in these remarks. No rule can be laid down as to the nature of punishment which should be awarded in the case of petty thefts, but clearly it should not be the rule that whipping should be inflicted when the property stolen is of small value.

In Jubbulpore the proportion of sentences of fine only has fallen one per cent, but is still much higher than the Provincial average. In Saugor the rise of three per cent in the proportion of sentences of imprisonment only, and the fall of five per cent in that of sentences of fine is probably due to the fact that the increase of crime in that District was almost wholly confined to offences against property. The same explanation may be given of the decrease in the proportion of persons fined, and the increase in the proportion of persons whipped, and of persons imprisoned in Damoh. On the other hand in Seoni, the proportion of persons fined has increased owing to the increase in the number of hurt and assault cases and offences under the Forests and Cattle trespass Acts and to the decrease in the number of offences against property. In Mandla the proportion of sentences of whipping is, next to Bhandara the highest in the Provinces, but there has been a falling off since last year, and the proportion of persons fined has correspondingly increased. As in 1884 the sentences of whipping were passed

in cases of petty thefts by Gonds and Baigas, and there appears to be no reason to doubt the propriety of the orders. The falling off in the proportion of whippings from 18 to 14 per cent is due to the fact that the Tahsildar of Ramgarh was a Second class Magistrate without power to pass sentences of whipping. In the Narbada Division the proportion of persons sentenced to fine only has decreased in Hoshangabad, Narsinghpur, and Betul; in Nimar the proportion remains the same, and in Chhindwara there is an increase of eight per cent. The reason for the increase in Chhindwara is not very clear, as the number of hurt and assault cases and of cases under the Municipal Act decreased, while offences against property increased in number.

There is an increase in the proportion of persons sentenced to fine only in each District of the Chhattisgarh Division, but the figures are still below the Provincial average. In Raipur the increase is mainly due to the increase in the number of persons convicted of Criminal trespass and breaches of Forest law, and to the large number of persons involved in the "Tiria raj" cases, who were punished with fine only. The same punishment was also inflicted in these cases in Sambalpur and Bilaspur.

The number of persons sentenced to solitary confinement is slightly in excess of the figures for the preceding year. The number of persons so punished in Saugor has increased from 36 to 65, while in Mandla not a single sentence of solitary confinement was passed. No explanation of these results has been given.

Degrees of punishment inflicted in Sessions and Magisterial Courts.

28. Table M. shows the proportion of persons sentenced to different degrees of punishment. Details for each District will be found in Additional Statement IV.

TABLE M.

Cases of punishment inflicted in Sessions and Magisterial Courts.

| Degrees of punishment. | 1885. | | 1884. | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| | Persons. | Percentage. | Persons. | Percentage. |
| Imprisonment (*a*)— | | | | |
| Not exceeding 15 days .. | 550 | 8· | 674 | 10· |
| Do. 6 months .. | 5,153 | 76· | 4,717 | 73· |
| Do. 2 years ... | 864 | 13· | 805 | 12· |
| Do. 7 „ ... | 205 | 3· | 310 | 5· |
| Exceeding 7 „ ... | 9 | ... | 16 | ... |
| Total, ... | 6,781 | 100· | 6,522 | 100· |
| Whipping (*b*)— | | | | |
| 10 stripes and under ... | 197 | 13· | 169 | 12· |
| 11 to 20 stripes .. | 849 | 57· | 848 | 58· |
| 21 to 30 stripes ... | 445 | 30· | 432 | 30· |
| Total ... | 1,491 | 100· | 1,449 | 100· |
| Fine (*c*)— | | | | |
| Rs. 10 and under ... | 13,513 | 87· | 12,413 | 88 |
| Rs. 50 and under ... | 1,677 | 11· | 1,340 | 10· |
| Rs. 100 and under ... ... | 322 | 2· | 285 | 2· |
| Rs. 500 and under ... ... | 33 | ... | 38 | ... |
| Rs. 1,000 and under ... ... | 5 | | 1 | |
| Exceeding Rs, 1,000 ... ... | ... | | 1 | |
| Total ... | 15,550 | 100· | 14,078 | 100· |

(*a*)—With or without fine or whipping. (*b*)—With or without imprisonment or fine.
(*c*)—With or without imprisonment or whipping.

There is a considerable decrease in the number of person sentenced to terms of imprisonment not exceeding 15 days, and the proportion has fallen from 10 to 8 per cent. This term of imprisonment has been imposed most frequently in Balaghat and Wardha, where the percentages are 26·8 and and 19·5 respectively. Short terms of imprisonment are specially inadvisable when the prisoner has to spend a great part of the time in the journey to the jail, and the Deputy Commissioner of Balaghat has drawn the attention of the Tahsildar of Behir to this.

The proportion of whippings of ten stripes and under has again risen from 12 to 13 per cent and is now at the same figure as in 1883.

The proportion in which the various grades of fines have been imposed remains practically unaltered.

In many cases of petty hurt and assault, chiefly in the Raipur District, it has been found that Honorary Magistrates have imposed fines far out of proportion to the nature of the offence, especially in the case of offenders of the lower castes. Many of these cases have come before the Judicial Commissioner on revision and the sentences have been reduced.

29. The following table shows punishments awarded to persons previously convicted more than once :—

Re-convictions.

TABLE N.

Re-conviction Statement.

| Number of times previously convicted. | Number of persons convicted. | Number of persons sentenced to | | | | | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | | Transportation. | Imprisonment. | | | | | | Fine only. | Whipping only. |
| | | | Exceeding 7 years. | Seven years and under. | Two years and under. | Six months and under. | Two months and under. | Fifteen days and under. | | |
| 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 | 10 | 11 |
| Previously convicted twice ... | 155 | 1 | 1 | 22 | 104 | 23 | ... | ... | .. | 4 |
| „ „ 3 times ... | 71 | ... | 1 | 27 | 41 | 2 | ... | ... | ... | ... |
| „ „ 4 times ... | 19 | 1 | ... | 11 | 7 | ... | ... | ... | .. | .. |
| „ „ 5 times ... | 9 | 1 | ... | 7 | 1 | ... | ... | ... | ... | .. |
| „ „ 6 times ... | 5 | 1 | ... | 3 | 1 | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... |
| „ „ 9 times ... | 1 | ... | ... | 1 | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... |
| „ „ 10 times .. | 1 | ... | ... | 1 | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... |
| Total ... | 261 | 4 | 2 | 72 | 154 | 25 | ... | ... | ... | 4 |

The number of persons dealt with in the above table shows a slight increase as compared with those in the corresponding table for 1884. The procedure adopted in proving previous convictions has been generally correct, and the punishment inflicted has in most cases been commensurate with the gravity of the offences.

*F.—Fines.*

Fine account.

30. The fines imposed, realized, remitted by Appellate Courts and struck off as unrealizable, and the amount of compensation awarded to complainants during the past two years, are shown below :—

| | 1884. Rs. | 1885. Rs. |
|---|---|---|
| Imposed ... | 1,12,821 | 1,21,437 |
| Realized ... | 95,444 | 1,10,019 |
| Remitted ... | 10,620 | 5,162 |
| Struck off ... | 8,998 | 6,142 |
| Compensation awarded ... | 6,156 | 6,687 |

These figures contrast favourably with the corresponding figures for 1884. Although the amount imposed exceeds that for 1884, and although the proportion of fines not exceeding ten rupees has decreased from 88 to 87 per cent, yet the amount realized is both actually and proportionately greater, while the amount struck off as unrealizable is far less than in 1884.

*G.— Witnesses.*

Number and detention of witnesses.

31. Table O. compares the general detention of witnesses in Magistrates' Courts during the past two years, while table P. shows the detention in 1885, for each District in detail.

TABLE O.

Detention of witnesses in Magisterial Courts :—

| Discharged. | 1884. Number. | 1884. Percentage of total witnesses. | 1885. Number. | 1885. Percentage of total witnesses. |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| The 1st day ... ... | 80,164 | 89·0 | 85,366 | 86·6 |
| 2nd day ... ... | 6,929 | 7·7 | 9,118 | 9·3 |
| 3rd day ... ... | 2,103 | 2·3 | 2,654 | 2·7 |
| After 3rd day ... ... | 906 | 1·0 | 1,412 | 1 4 |
| Total ... | 90,102 | 100· | 98,550 | 100· |

## TABLE P.

Detention of witnesses in Magisterial Courts according to Districts :—

| Districts. | Number of cases disposed of. | Total number of witnesses discharged. | Number discharged. | | | | Percentage discharged |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | | | 1st day. | 2nd day. | 3rd day. | After 3rd day. | |
| Nagpur ... ... | 2,811 | 11,654 | 9,319 | 1,488 | 508 | 339 | 80· |
| Chanda ... .. | 967 | 4,813 | 4,243 | 480 | 69 | 21 | 88· |
| Bhandara ... .. | 1,108 | 3,883 | 3,162 | 567 | 149 | 5 | 81· |
| Wardha ... ... | 1,648 | 6,217 | 5,664 | 452 | 80 | 21 | 91· |
| Balaghat ... ... | 831 | 3,848 | 3,583 | 236 | 21 | 8 | 93· |
| Jubbulpore ... ... | 2,506 | 8,848 | 8,131 | 542 | 144 | 31 | 92· |
| Saugor ... ... | 1,926 | 8,255 | 6,981 | 934 | 251 | 89 | 85· |
| Damoh ... ... | 597 | 2,357 | 2,259 | 86 | 9 | 3 | 96· |
| Seoni ... ... | 817 | 3,403 | 2,881 | 432 | 64 | 26 | 85· |
| Mandla ... ... | 627 | 2,291 | 2,251 | 34 | 6 | ... | 98· |
| Hoshangabad ... ... | 1,678 | 6,693 | 6,250 | 282 | 118 | 43 | 93· |
| Betul ... ... | 667 | 2,904 | 2,655 | 144 | 83 | 22 | 91· |
| Narsinghpur ... ... | 1,507 | 5,206 | 4,896 | 217 | 49 | 44 | 94· |
| Chhindwara ... ... | 709 | 3,215 | 2,749 | 315 | 104 | 47 | 85· |
| Nimar ... ... | 889 | 3,195 | 2,507 | 506 | 117 | 65 | 78· |
| Raipur ... ... | 2,331 | 11,200 | 9,615 | 1,155 | 357 | 73 | 86· |
| Sambalpur ... ... | 1,317 | 5,332 | 4,238 | 542 | 259 | 313 | 79· |
| Bilaspur ... ... | 1,004 | 5,236 | 3,982 | 706 | 286 | 262 | 76· |
| Total ... | 23,940 | 98,550 | 85,366 | 9,118 | 2,654 | 1,412 | 87· |

Altogether 98,550 witnesses appeared before the Magisterial Courts and 1,131 before the Courts of Session during the year, as compared with 90,102 and 1,107 respectively in 1884.

The results shown in Table O. are hardly as satisfactory as for 1884; the proportion of witnesses examined the first day having decreased from 89·0 to 86·6 per cent, but it should be remembered that the total number of witnesses has increased from 90,102 to 98,550, and that the total numerical strength of Magisterial Courts has fallen from 180 to 170. That there has been at any rate less unnecessary detention of witnesses is clear from the fact that whereas in 1884, 180 Courts examined only 80,164 witnesses, in 1885, 170 Courts examined 85,366 witnesses on the first day of hearing.

In Table P. the worst results are shown in the Districts of Bilaspur, Nimar, Sambalpur, Nagpur and Bhandara. In Bilaspur only 76 per cent of the witnesses were discharged the first day. This is said to be due to the sudden increase of work in the Court of the Senior Assistant Commissioner, partly in consequence of the "Tiriaraj" cases. Detentions were unduly long in the Court of the Tahsildar of Seorinarain. This officer is said to have been frequently indisposed, but his procedure also is dilatory. In Nimar the decrease from 81 to 78 per cent in the proportion of witnesses discharged the first day is unsatisfactory. The worst results were in the Courts of the Tahsildar of Khandwa and the Honorary Magistrate at Burhanpur. In Sambalpur the results are much worse than in 1884, the proportion of witnesses discharged the first day having fallen from 86 to 79 per cent. This is due to the very bad results in the Courts of Mr. Hari Gopal Padhye, and Mr. Trimbuk Rao Sathe, where only 31 per cent and 28·9 per cent of the wit-

nesses were discharged the first day. The former officer had a large amount of work to get through in addition to his Magisterial duties, but the same excuse cannot be given for Mr. Trimbuk Rao Sathe. The Deputy Commissioner says that the detention of witnesses for more than one day is partly the result of the instructions of the Judicial Commissioner, that cases should be taken up from day to day instead of being postponed to a distant date. This might be the first effect of a change from one system to the other; but theoretically there ought to be no difference whatever in the results, and practically it must be easier to foresee the work of the following day than of two or three weeks in advance. In the district of Nagpur the falling off in the proportion of witnesses discharged the first day is probably due to the large increase in the total number of witnesses before the Courts, and the decrease in the number of Courts (one Stipendiary Magistrate and two Honorary Magistrates of the first class). In Bhandara there is an improvement, 81 per cent of the witnesses having been discharged the first day against 78 per cent in the preceding year. The total number of witnesses before the Courts of this District decreased and a new Court—that of the Tahsildar at Bhandara—was opened in April, and the improvement is not more than might have been expected under the circumstances.

*H.— Durations.*

Duration of police and complaint cases in Magistrates' Courts.

32. The duration in police and complaint cases is shown in Additional Statement VI. The average duration in police cases has been 4· days as against 3·4 in the preceding year, and in complaint cases 19 days as compared with 16. The general results therefore have not been so good as in 1884. The average duration however is not excessive, considering the fact that the accused frequently names witnesses for the defence and the case has to be postponed for their attendance.

Duration of police cases in each district.

33. The following table shows the percentage of police cases disposed of in different periods, and also the average durations in each district.

TABLE Q.

Durations of Police cases in Magistrates' Courts.

| Districts. | Percentage of cases disposed of | | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | In 1 day. | In 2 days. | In 3 and 4 days. | In from 5 to 15 days. | After 15 days. | Average duration. |
| Nagpur ... .. | 64· | 8· | 6· | 15· | 6· | 3·9 |
| Chanda ... ... | 65· | 10· | 6· | 15· | 4· | 3·3 |
| Bhandara ... ... | 68· | 14· | 7· | 9· | 2· | 2·9 |
| Wardha ... ... | 47· | 14· | 8· | 21· | 10· | 5·5 |
| Balaghat ... ... | 67· | 9· | 4· | 15· | 5· | 4·0 |
| Jubbulpore ... ... | 62· | 11· | 9· | 13· | 5· | 3·8 |
| Saugor ... ... | 62· | 11· | 7· | 12· | 7· | 4·3 |
| Damoh ... ... | 79· | 7· | 3· | 8· | 2· | 2·0 |
| Seoni ... ... | 50· | 16· | 9· | 19· | 6· | 4·3 |
| Mandla ... ... | 77· | 9· | 2· | 9· | 3· | 2·7 |
| Hoshangabad. ... | 61· | 11· | 10· | 15· | 4· | 3·4 |
| Betul ... ... | 78· | 6· | 5· | 9· | 2· | 2·4 |
| Narsinghpur... ... | 50. | 11· | 10· | 20· | 8· | 4·8 |
| Chhindwara... ... | 59 | 11· | 7· | 16· | 7· | 4·5 |
| Nimar ... ... | 51· | 14· | 11· | 17· | 6· | 4·2 |
| Raipur ... ... | 62· | 12· | 7· | 11· | 8· | 4·5 |
| Sambalpur ... ... | 61· | 11· | 10· | 12· | 6. | 3·9 |
| Bilaspur ... .. | 45· | 19· | 17· | 13· | 6 | 4·3 |
| Total ... {1885 ... | 61· | 11· | 8· | 13· | 6· | 4·0 |
| {1884 ... | 67· | 11· | 7· | 11· | 4· | 3·4 |

The average duration of police cases continues to increase. The worst results are shown in Wardha, Narsinghpur, Chhindwara and Raipur, and durations in Saugor, Seoni, Nimar and Bilaspur are longer than the Provincial average. In Wardha the duration is longest, each police case lasting on an average 5½ days, but the Deputy Commissioner is unable to offer any explanation. The long durations in Narsinghpur were partly caused by the Deputy Commissioner being ill while he had several cases on hand. In Chhindwara they were caused in the Deputy Commissioner's Court by the intricate nature of the cases, and in the Court of the Tahsildar of Sausar by illness. The Deputy Commissioner of Raipur says, that the prevalence of cholera added materially to the duration of cases, as whilst the disease was prevalent it was difficult to get witnesses to come to Head-quarters. In the other Districts already named above the average durations, though long, were not much higher than the Provincial average. In Seoni there has been a considerable improvement in the duration of police cases, and the figures would have been still better, it is said, but for the unusual sickness and mortality during the year.

Duration of cases in Courts of Sessions.

34. The average duration of cases tried by Courts of Session during the past two years, calculated from the day of commitment is given below :—

| | | 1884. | 1885. |
|---|---|---|---|
| Nagpur | ... | 45·2 | 34·4 |
| Jubbulpore | ... | 51·5 | 35·1 |
| Nerbudda | ... | 45·5 | 39·8 |
| Chhattisgarh | ... | 72·5 | 32·9 |

There has been a general decrease in the duration of cases tried by Courts of Session, notably in the Court of the Sessions Judge of the Chhattisgarh Division.

## I. Appeals.

Number of appeals disposed of.

35. The number of appeals disposed of last year by the different Appellate Courts as compared with the preceding year is shown below :—

| | | 1884. | 1885. |
|---|---|---|---|
| To District Magistrates | ... | 893 | 1,056 |
| To Courts of Session | ... | 829 | 968 |
| To Court of Judicial Commissioner | ... | 214 | 136 |
| | | 1,936 | 2,160 |

There has been a decrease in the number of appeals disposed of by the Judicial Commissioner, and an increase in the number of appeals disposed of by District Magistrates and Courts of Session. The decrease in the Court of the Judicial Commissioner is chiefly due to fewer appeals being presented during the year under report.

The above table does not give a correct idea of the work of the Appellate Courts which can be better gathered from a comparison of the figures in Additional Statemant No. VIII. for 1884 and 1885. The table given below shows the number of persons who preferred appeals in 1884 and 1885 :—

| | | 1884. | 1885. |
|---|---|---|---|
| Court of Judicial Commissioner | ... | 260 | 177 |
| Commissioner, Nagpur Division | ... | 306 | 320 |
| ,, Jubbulpore ,, | ... | 244 | 381 |
| ,, Nerbudda ,, | ... | 259 | 194 |
| ,, Chhattisgarh ,, | ... | 130 | 142 |
| All Deputy Commissioners | ... | 1,177 | 1,446 |

The percentage of appeals rejected and sentences confirmed to appeals disposed of, is shown below:—

| | 1884. | 1885. |
|---|---|---|
| In Court of Judicial Commissioner ... | 75 | 82 |
| In Sessions Courts ... ... ... | 66 | 73 |
| In Magistrates' Courts ... ... | 65 | 60 |

Assuming the numbers of appeals to bear a fixed proportion to the number of appellants, it will be seen that there has been a slight increase in the appellate work of the Commissioners of the Nagpur and Chhattisgarh Divisions, an increase of more than 50 per cent in the Jubbulpore Division, and a decrease of about 25 per cent in the Narbudda Division. The increase in the Nagpur and Chhattisgarh Divisions is not large enough to call for explanation. The increase of appellate work in the Jubbulpore Divisional Courts is more substantial, though it is not easy to assign the cause. In the Narbada Division there has been a perceptible decrease which has not been explained.

36. The result of appeals disposed of are shown in the following table:—

TABLE R.

Results of Appeals.

| Class of Appellate Courts. | Total appellants disposed of* | Disposal of appeals. Persons whose Appeals were rejected. Number. | Appeals were rejected. Percentage. | Appeals were dismissed. Number. | Appeals were dismissed. Percentage. | Sentences were reduced. Number. | Sentences were reduced. Percentage. | Sentences were altered in nature. Number. | Sentences were altered in nature. Percentage | Sentences were reversed. Number. | Sentences were reversed. Percentage. |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Court of the Judicial Commissioner ... | 154 | 91 | 59· | 36 | 23· | 15 | 10· | ... | .. | 12 | 8· |
| Commr., Nagpur Dn. | 327 | 30 | 9· | 168 | 51· | 44 | 14· | ... | ... | 85 | 26· |
| „ Jubbulpore „ | 378 | 232 | 61· | 63 | 17· | 24 | 6· | ... | ... | 59 | 16. |
| „ Nerbudda „ | 207 | 112 | 54· | 48 | 23· | 22 | 11· | ... | ... | 25 | 12· |
| „ Chhattisgarh | 137 | 53 | 39· | 65 | 47· | 4 | 3· | ... | ... | 15 | 11· |
| Magistrate of— | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Nagpur ... | 134 | ... | ... | 60 | 45· | 9 | 7· | ... | .. | 65 | 48· |
| Chanda ... | 40 | ... | ... | 16 | 40· | 14 | 35· | ... | ... | 10 | 25· |
| Bhandara ... | 39 | ... | ... | 32 | 82· | 5 | 13· | ... | ... | 2 | 5· |
| Wardha ... | 92 | 9 | 10· | 47 | 51· | 5 | 5· | ... | ... | 31 | 34· |
| Balaghat ... | 55 | ... | ... | 39 | 71· | 4 | 7· | ... | ... | 12 | 22· |
| Jubbulpore ... | 134 | 28 | 21· | 81 | 60· | 4 | 3· | ... | ... | 21 | 16· |
| Saugor ... | 149 | 59 | 40· | 39 | 26· | 25 | 17· | ... | ... | 26 | 17· |
| Damoh ... | 54 | 25 | 46· | ... | ... | 17 | 32· | 3 | 5· | 9 | 17· |
| Seoni ... | 18 | 9 | 50· | 1 | 6· | 4 | 22· | ... | ... | 4 | 22· |
| Mandla ... | 14 | ... | ... | 3 | 21· | ... | ... | ... | ... | 11 | 79· |
| Hoshangabad ... | 177 | 16 | 9· | 86 | 49· | 20 | 11· | ... | ... | 55 | 31· |
| Betul ... | 54 | ... | ... | 37 | 69· | 4 | 7· | ... | ... | 13 | 24· |
| Narsinghpur ... | 188 | ... | ... | 121 | 64· | 15 | 8· | ... | ... | 52 | 28. |
| Chhindwara ... | 39 | ... | ... | 20 | 51· | 6 | 15· | ... | ... | 13 | 33· |
| Nimar ... | 37 | 7 | 19· | 8 | 22· | 2 | 5· | ... | ... | 20 | 54· |
| Raipur ... | 80 | 2 | 2· | 42 | 53· | 15 | 19· | 1 | 1· | 20 | 25· |
| Sambalpur ... | 28 | 5 | 18· | 4 | 14· | 10 | 36· | ... | ... | 9 | 32· |
| Bilaspur ... | 82 | 20 | 24· | 34 | 42· | 6 | 7· | 1 | 1· | 21 | 26· |
| Total ... | 2,617 | 698 | 26· | 1050 | 40· | 274 | 10· | 5 | 2· | 590 | 22· |

* Exclutive of 3 persons who died.

## TABLE S.

37. Results of appeals to Judicial Commissioner during 1885.

| Appeals from orders passed by. | Total number of cases disposed of. | Persons whose. | | | Total No. of persons. | Percentage of persons whose appeals were rejected and sentences confirmed to total persons disposed of. |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | | Appeals were rejected and sentences confirmed. | Sentences were reversed. | Sentences were reduced. | | |
| Commissioner, Nagpur Division ... | 20 | 20 | ... | ... | 20 | 100· |
| do. Jubbulpore „ .... | *26 | 19 | 2 | 3 | 24 | 79·2 |
| do. Nerbudda „ ... | 9 | 7 | 2 | ... | 9 | 77·7 |
| do. Chhattisgarh „ ... | 17 | 13 | 1 | 7 | 21 | 61·9 |
| Deputy Commissioners invested with special powers, Section 34, Code of Criminal Procedure ... | 64 | 68 | 7 | 5 | 80 | 85·0 |
| Total ... | 136 | 127 | 12 | 15 | 154 | 82·5 |

* Two cases were transferred to the High Court, North-Western Provinces.

The percentages of appeals rejected and sentences confirmed by Commissioners of Divisions have been as follows :—

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| Nagpur | ... | 60 per cent. |
| Jubbulpore | ... | 78 „ |
| Nerbudda | ... | 77 „ |
| Chhattisgarh | ... | 86 „ |

A larger proportion of appeals were rejected and dismissed in the Court of the Judicial Commissioner and in Courts of Session, and a smaller proportion in the Magistrates' Courts.

In the District of Bhandara no less than 32 appeals out of 39 were dismissed, the sentences were reduced in 5 and reversed in only 2 cases. The proportion of sentences reversed was unusually high in the Courts of the Magistrates of Nagpur and Nimar. The high proportion in Nagpur was due as in 1884 to the faulty judgment of the Tahsildars of Katol and Umrer.

### J. Reference and Revision.

38. The revisional work of this Court is shown in Prescribed Statement No. 6. There have been 592 cases for disposal during the year involving 1,114 persons. These include applications for revision, cases referred and cases called for by this Court. Of the above, 480 involving 861 persons have been disposed of, leaving 112 cases pending at the close of the year.

Revisional work of the Judicial Commissioner's Court.

| | Disposed of | |
|---|---|---|
| | Cases. | Persons. |
| Applications for revision ... | 144 | 254 |
| Cases referred ... | 59 | 128 |
| Cases called for ... | 277 | 479 |
| Total ... | 480 | 861 |

21 sentences of death were referred to the Judicial Commissioner for confirmation during the year. In 14 cases the sentence was confirmed, in 3 cases it was modified, and in 2 cases it was reversed. Two cases remained pending at the close of the year.

TABLE T.

References to Sessions Judges under Section 34, Code of Criminal Procedure.

| Sessions Divisions. | Sentences. | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | Referred for confirmation. | Confirmed. | Reduced. | Annulled. | Pending. |
| Nagpur ... | 16 | 10 | 4 | 1 | 1 |
| Jubbulpore ... | 20 | 19 | ... | 1 | ... |
| Nerbudda ... | 40 | 33 | 4 | 3 | ... |
| Chhattisgarh ... | 23 | 18 | 4 | 1 | ... |
| Total ... | 99 | 80 | 12 | 6 | 1 |

*K—Miscellaneous.*

Work done by Judicial Commissioner during past 5 years.

39. Table U. below compares the criminal work done in the Judicial Commissioner's Court during each of the past five years.

The decrease in the appellate work in the Judicial Commissioner's Court has already been explained. The revisional work has also decreased though it is still much greater than in 1883.

TABLE U.

Work done by the Judicial Commissioner.

| | 1881. | 1882. | 1883. | 1884. | 1885. |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Appeal (cases) ... | 134 | 131 | 129 | 214 | 136 |
| Revision (persons) ... | 310 | 322 | 516 | 1,108 | 861 |
| References for confirmation of sentences of death (persons) ... | 26 | 19 | 19 | 22 | 19 |

NOTE—Besides the above there was one case which was referrd by the Deputy Commissioner, Damoh, to the Judicial Commissioner for passing orders under Section 341 Code of Criminal Procedure, the accused being deaf and dumb.

40. The following table compares the Criminal work done by Sessions Judges during each of the past 5 years.

Work done by Sessions Judges during past 5 years.

The fluctuations in the appellate work of the Courts of Session have already been noticed. The other figures do not require special explanation.

## TABLE V.

### Work done by Sessions Judges.

| Sessions Court. | Session cases. | | | | | Appeal cases. | | | | | Reference under Section 34, Code of Criminal Procedure (persons.) | | | | | Reference to Judicial Commissioner under Section 376, Code of Criminal Procedure (persons.) | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | 1881. | 1882. | 1883. | 1884. | 1885. | 1881. | 1882. | 1883. | 1884. | 1885. | 1881. | 1882. | 1883. | 1884. | 1885. | 1881. | 1882. | 1883. | 1884. | 1885. |
| Nagpur ... | 38 | 32 | 37 | 25 | 26 | 101 | 130 | 173 | 273 | 310 | 40 | 31 | 16 | 17 | 15 | 8 | 7 | 4 | 8 | 7 |
| Jubbulpore .. | 43 | 33 | 29 | 25 | 32 | 130 | 175 | 137 | 218 | 352 | 49 | 47 | 35 | 29 | 20 | 10 | 5 | 7 | 8 | 11 |
| Nerbudda . . | 35 | 30 | 21 | 16 | 17 | 113 | 158 | 109 | 224 | 194 | 18 | 36 | 11 | 69 | 40 | 4 | 4 | 5 | 2 | 1 |
| Chhattisgarh ... | 15 | 22 | 13 | 28 | 23 | 61 | 80 | 103 | 114 | 112 | 23 | 28 | 28 | 26 | 23 | 4 | 3 | 3 | 4 | ... |
| Total ... | 131 | 117 | 100 | 94 | 98 | 405 | 543 | 522 | 829 | 968 | 130 | 142 | 90 | 141 | 98 | 26 | 19 | 19 | 22 | 19 |

41. During 1885, Mr. A. P. Howell, (who held the office of Judicial Commissioner in the beginning of the year) inspected the Districts of

Jubbulpore,
Saugor,
Damoh,
Narsinghpur,

and Mr. J. W. Neill, (who officiated for the greater portion of the year) inspected the offices of the following Districts:—

| | |
|---|---|
| Chanda. | Chhindwara. |
| Hoshangabad. | Nimar. |
| Betul. | Seoni. |
| Narsinghpur. | |

42. The Judicial Commissioner desires to acknowledge the valuable services of the Registrar, Mr. Ismay, who left the Court during the year. Mr. Ismay discharged his duties with much zeal and ability and rendered valuable assistance in superintending the working of the Criminal Courts.

I have the honor to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient Servant,

A. S. WOMACK,
Registrar.

# PRESCRIBED

# STATEMENTS.

(Giving statistcs of Civil and Revenue Suits and showing totals for each grade of Courts.)

# JUDICIAL STATEMENT No. I.—(Civil and Criminal.)

STATEMENT showing the number of Judicial Divisions and the number of Officers exercising Appellate or Original jurisdiction in the Central Provinces, on the last day of the year 1885 with the cost of Tribunals.

| Name of Province. | | | Area. | Population. | Number of Divisions for Courts under Chief Court, but superior to Chief Courts of Districts. | Number of Districts. | Number of Sub-Districts. | Total number of officers exercising original or appellate jurisdiction: Judges of Chief Court of Provinces. | Judges of other Courts superior to Chief District Courts. | Judges of Chief Courts of Districts. | Judges of District Courts other than Chief Courts. | Judges of other subordinate Courts. | Total number of cases decided: Original. Regular. | Original. Miscellaneous. | Appeals. Regular. | Appeals. Miscellaneous. | Total receipts of the Courts. | Total charges of the Courts. |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 1 | | | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 | 10 | 11 | 12 | 13 | 14 | 15 | 16 | 17 |
| Central Provinces. | Territory subject to the High Court ... | Civil and Revenue ... | 84,445 | 98,38,791 | 4 | 18 | 50 | 1 | 4 | 18 | 37 | 104 | 1,05,877 | 8,195 | 6,631 | 371 | 8,99,851 | 11,72,257 |
| | | Criminal | | | | | | | | | 42 | 140 | 23,940 | 1,058 | 2,059 | 101 | | |
| | Ditto not subject to the High Court... | Civil and Revenue | ... | ... | ... | .. | .. | ... | ... | ... | ... | .. | ... | .. | ... | ... | ... | ... |
| | | Criminal .. | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | .. | ... | ... | ... | ... |
| | *Total ... | | 84,445 | 98,38,791 | 4 | 18 | 50 | 1 | 4 | 18 | 42 | 188 | 1,29,817 | 9,253 | 8,690 | 472 | 8,99,851 | 11,72,257 |

NOTE.—Number of European and Native Judicial Officers exercising Appellate or Original jurisdiction.

The Civil grades are those described in Act XIV. of 1865. On the Criminal side, District Officers are included with 1st Class Magistrates.

CIVIL.

| Sub-Talukdars. Euro. | Natives. | Judges of Small Cause Courts. Europeans. | Natives. | Registrars of Small Cause Courts. Europeans. | Natives. | Courts of | 1st Grade. Euro. | Natives. | 2nd Grade. Euro. | Natives. | 3rd Grade. Euro. | Natives. | 4th Grade. Euro. | Natives. | 5th Grade. Euro. | Natives. | 6th Grade. Euro. | Natives. | 7th Grade. Euro. | Natives. | 8th Grade. Euro. | Natives. |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 0 | 32 | 4 | 2 | 0 | 2 | | 0 | 19 | 0 | 45 | 1 | 3 | 3 | 16 | 2 | 8 | 19 | 3 | 4 | 0 | 1 | 0 |

CRIMINAL.

| High Court Judges. Euro. | Natives. | Sessions Judges. Euro. | Natives. | Magistrates. | 1st Class. Euro. | Natives. | 2nd Class. Euro. | Natives. | 3rd Class. Euro. | Natives. | Cantonment Magistrates. Euro. | Natives. |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 1 | 0 | 4 | 0 | | 23 | 31 | 3 | 93 | 0 | 46 | 4 | 0 |

* The total columns 7 to 11 show the *actual number of individuals*, as required. As the same officer has in some (but not in all) cases both Civil and Criminal powers, the figure total of columns 10 and 11 are higher than totals shown.

# JUDICIAL STATEMENT No. 2.—(Criminal.)

**Statement of Offences reported and persons tried, convicted and acquitted of each class of offence in the Central Provinces, in the year 1885.**

| Description of offence. | Number of offences reported. | Number of cases returned as true. | Number of cases brought to trial during the year. | Number of persons. Under trial during the year, including pending from previous year. | Acquitted or discharged. | Convicted. | Died, escaped or transferred to another Province. | Remaining under trial. | Remarks. |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 | 10 |
| Offences against the State, Chapter VI. of the Indian Penal Code | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | |
| Do. relating to the army and navy Chapter VII. | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | |
| Do. against the public tranquillity do. VIII. | 170 | 155 | 144 | 1,013 | 216 | 739 | 4 | 54 | |
| Do. by or relating to Public servants do. IX. | 53 | 52 | 53 | 71 | 22 | 46 | ... | 3 | |
| Contempts of the lawful authority of public servants do. X. | 256 | 241 | 243 | 436 | 185 | 233 | 8 | 10 | |
| False evidence and offences against public justice do. XI. | 256 | 239 | 234 | 305 | 110 | 179 | 2 | 14 | |
| Offences relating to coin and Government Stamps do. XII. | 74 | 71 | 59 | 74 | 25 | 47 | ... | 2 | |
| Do. relating to weights and measures do. XIII. | 80 | 75 | 76 | 90 | 20 | 69 | 1 | ... | |
| Do. affecting the public health, safety, convenience, decency and morals do. XIV. | 216 | 209 | 199 | 302 | 51 | 242 | 1 | 8 | |
| Do. relating to religion do. XV. | 21 | 15 | 10 | 21 | 16 | 5 | ... | ... | |
| Offences affecting the human body, Chapter XVI — Offences affecting life ... | 365 | 321 | 281 | 396 | 180 | 181 | 2 | 34 | |
| Causing of miscarriage, injuries to unborn children, exposure of infants and the concealment of births ... | 32 | 31 | 25 | 37 | 13 | 24 | ... | 1 | |
| Hurt ... | 2,837 | 2,332 | 2,250 | 4,344 | 2,421 | 1,746 | 34 | 143 | |
| Wrongful restraint and wrongful confinement ... | 242 | 156 | 139 | 298 | 187 | 99 | 1 | 11 | |
| Criminal force and assault ... | 7,147 | 5,260 | 5,362 | 10,082 | 6,550 | 3,277 | 77 | 178 | |
| Kidnapping, forcible abduction, slavery and forced labor ... | 42 | 32 | 29 | 51 | 29 | 22 | ... | ... | |
| Rape ... | 83 | 65 | 45 | 61 | 41 | 17 | ... | 3 | |
| Unnatural offence ... | 31 | 26 | 21 | 25 | 14 | 11 | ... | ... | |
| Offences against property, Chapter XVII. — Theft ... | 11,544 | 10,841 | 4,935 | 7,312 | 1,612 | 5,606 | 18 | 77 | |
| Extortion ... | 108 | 84 | 82 | 127 | 81 | 39 | 3 | 4 | |
| Robbery and dacoity ... | 141 | 105 | 54 | 116 | 54 | 56 | ... | 6 | |
| Criminal misappropriation of property ... | 154 | 143 | 144 | 172 | 48 | 120 | 1 | 3 | |
| Criminal breach of trust ... | 394 | 338 | 272 | 332 | 121 | 199 | 5 | 7 | |
| Receiving stolen property ... | 273 | 262 | 264 | 376 | 124 | 249 | 1 | 2 | |
| Cheating ... | 232 | 144 | 145 | 205 | 115 | 68 | 6 | 16 | |
| Fraudulent deeds and disposition of property ... | 5 | 3 | 3 | 8 | 8 | ... | ... | ... | |
| Mischief ... | 697 | 534 | 333 | 875 | 438 | 405 | 1 | 31 | |
| Criminal trespass ... | 7,027 | 6,359 | 2,517 | 4,114 | 1,475 | 2,543 | 6 | 89 | |
| Offences relating to documents and to trade or property marks, Chapter XVIII. | 29 | 24 | 24 | 53 | 31 | 16 | 3 | 3 | |
| Criminal breach of contracts of service do. XIX. | 4 | 4 | 4 | 5 | ... | 6 | ... | ... | |
| Offences relating to marriage do. XX. | 625 | 412 | 406 | 519 | 368 | 100 | 29 | 22 | |
| Defamation do. XXI. | 697 | 341 | 337 | 484 | 372 | 90 | 6 | 16 | |
| Criminal intimidation, insult and annoyance do. XXII. | 594 | 389 | 392 | 642 | 445 | 165 | 4 | 28 | |
| Offences under special and local laws ... | 6,074 | 5,726 | 5,027 | 8,038 | 1,740 | 6,196 | 33 | 69 | * Include 3 persons who are in the Lunatic Asylum. |
| Total ... | 40,503 | 34,989 | 24,709 | 40,984 | 17,112 | 22,795 | 246 | *834 | |

# JUDICIAL STATEMENT No. 3.—(Criminal.)

Statement of Miscellaneous proceedings under the Criminal Procedure Code in the Central Provinces, during the year 1885.

| Nature of proceedings. | Total number of cases before the Courts during the year. | Number of persons concerned. | Number of persons discharged. | Number of persons convicted. | Pending at close of the year. | Remarks. |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | | | | | Persons. | |
| 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 |
| 1. Proceedings against witnesses under Chapter VI—C and Section 485 ... ... | 3 | 4 | 2 | 2 | ... | |
| 2. Proceedings under Chapter VIII, to prevent breach of the peace. | 41 | 123 | 39 | 78 | 6 | Pending less than a month. |
| 3. Proceedings under Chapter VIII, security for good behaviour ... ... | 203 | 251 | 90 | 153 | 8 | Ditto. ditto. |
| 4. Proceedings against local nuisances, Chapter X ... | 34 | 41 | 35 | 6 | ... | |
| 5. Possession, Chapter XII ... ... | 3 | 6 | 3 | 3 | ... | |
| 6. Frivolous or vexatious complaints summarily dealt with under Chapter XX, Section 250 ... ... | 327 | 329 | ... | 329 | ... | |
| 7. Non-attendance of jurors or assessors, Chapter XXIII, Section 332 ... ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | |
| 8. Maintenance, Chapter XXXVI ... ... | 430 | 430 | 281 | 131 | 18 | 14 Pending over a month for examination of witnesses : date of institution of the oldest case is 17th November 1885 |
| 9. Forfeiture of bail or recognizance under Chapter XLII ... | 44 | 70 | 23 | 45 | 2 | Pending since 29th September 1885, for examination of witnesses. |
| Total ... | 1,085 | 1,254 | 473 | 747 | 34 | |

# JUDICIAL STATEMENT 4.—(Criminal)

Statement showing the general results of Criminal trials in the Tribunals of various classes in the Central Provinces in the year 1885.

| Class of Courts. | Total number of persons under trial. | Persons whose cases were disposed of | | | | | Persons remaining under trial at the end of the year. | Number of cases disposed of during the year. | Average number of days during which each case lasted. | Number of witnesses examined. | Remarks. |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | | Died, escaped or transferred to another Province. | Discharged or acquitted. | Convicted. | | Committed or referred.† | | | | | |
| | | | | On regular trial. | On Summary trial. | | | | | | |
| 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 | 10 | 11 | 12 |
| Village Officers ... ... ... ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | .. | ... | ... | ... | ... | |
| Subordinates Magistrate ... Special Magistrates under Section 14 ... ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | |
| Subordinates Magistrate ... Honorary Magistrates sitting singly ... ... | 8,235 | 59 | 3,943 | 3,949 | 141 | 1 | 143 | 4,618 | 14·9 | 17,510 | |
| Subordinates Magistrate ... Stipendiary Magistrates sitting singly ... ... | 27,016 | 133 | 10,494 | 13,363 | 2,434 | 73 | ‡593 | 15,823 | 10·1 | 67,130 | ‡ Includes one person who is in the Lunatic Asylum. |
| Subordinates Magistrate ... Benches of Magistrates ... ... | 3,377 | 25 | 1,935 | 1,000 | 384 | ... | 33 | 2,094 | 13 0 | 6,405 | |
| District and Divisional Magistrate's cases referred under Section 349 C. P. Code* ... ... ... ... | 179 | 1 | 38 | 140 | ... | ... | .. | 133 | 6·2 | 474 | |
| Chief Magistrates of Districts ... ... ... | 2,168 | 28 | 665 | 796 | 634 | 103 | †17 | 1,405 | 9·7 | 7,505 | † Includes two persons ditto |
| Courts of Session ... ... ... ... | 188 | 1 | 75 | 94 | ... | ... | 18 | 98 | 35·2 | 1,131 | |
| Superior Courts ... ... ... ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | |
| Total .. | 40,984 | 246 | 17,112 | 19,202 | 3,593 | 177 | 834 | 24,038 | 11·4 | 99,681 | |

* These figures having been included in the totals for Subordinate Magistrates are not taken into the general total at foot of the Statement.

† The persons shown as "committed for trial" in column 7 are not included in the totals of persons under trial by *Magistrates* in column 2, but are included in the total of persons tried by *Sessions Courts* in the same column.

# JUDICIAL STATEMENT 5.—(Criminal.)

## Statement showing the punishments inflicted by the various Criminal Tribunals in the Central Provinces in the year 1885.

| Class of Tribunals. | Persons sentenced to | | | | | | | | | | Detail of punishments. | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | | | | Imprisonment. | | | | | | | Fine. | | | | | | | | | Imprisonment. | | | | | Whipped. | | | |
| | Death. | Transportation. | Penal servitude. | Rigorous. | Simple. | Forfeiture of property. | Fine. | Whipping. | Persons ordered to find or give security or recognizance to keep the peace; or sureties for good behaviour. | Persons imprisoned in default of security for good behaviour. | Rs. 10 and under. | Rs. 50 and under. | Rs. 100 and under. | Rs. 500 and under. | Rs. 1,000 and under. | Above Rs. 1,000. | Total amount of fines imposed during the year. | Total amount of fines realized during the year. | Amount paid by way of compensation. | 15 days and under. | 6 months and under | 2 years and under. | 7 years and under. | Above 7 years. | 10 stripes and under. | 20 stripes and under | 30 stripes and under. | Number of boys whose sentences were commuted to detention in a reformatory school. |
| 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 | 10 | 11 | 12 | 13 | 14 | 15 | 16 | 17 | 18 | 19 | 20 | 21 | 22 | 23 | 24 | 25 | 26 | 27 | 28 | 29 |
| Village officers ... ... ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | .. | .. | ... | ... | ... | .. | ... | ... | .. | .. | .. | ... | ... | ... |
| Subordinate Magistrates. Special Magistrates under Section 14 .. | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | .. | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | .. | .. | .. | ... | ... | ... |
| Subordinate Magistrates. Honorary Magistrates sitting singly ... | ... | .. | ... | 902 | 37 | 28 | 3,030 | 72 | 3 | 1 | 2,878 | 230 | 57 | 1 | .. | ... | 18,029 | 17,270 | 1,808 | 135 | 766 | 38 | .. | .. | 8 | 38 | 27 | ... |
| Subordinate Magistrates. Stipendiary Magistrates sitting singly .. | ... | ... | ... | 4,851 | 182 | 435 | 9,413 | 1,174 | 116 | 90 | 8,839 | 1,300 | 241 | 24 | 2 | ... | 87 847 | 80,369 | 4,105 | 373 | 4,020 | 640 | ... | ... | 166 | 708 | 373 | ... |
| Subordinate Magistrates. Benches of Magistrates .. ... | ... | ... | ... | 127 | 5 | 2 | 1,299 | 1 | ... | ... | 1,241 | 62 | 3 | ... | .. | ... | 5,138 | 5,045 | 280 | 23 | 107 | 2 | .. | ... | ... | ... | 1 | ... |
| District and Divisional Magistrates cases referred under Section 349, Criminal Procedure Code* ... | .. | ... | ... | 74 | 2 | ... | 14 | 57 | ... | .. | 8 | 1 | 6 | ... | .. | .. | 336 | 316 | 145 | 2 | 28 | 43 | 3 | .. | 13 | 37 | 7 | 5 |
| Chief Magistrates of Districts ... ... | ... | 12 | ... | 621 | 16 | 55 | 578 | 150 | 42 | 28 | 553 | 85 | 21 | 8 | 2 | ... | 9,573 | 7,194 | 491 | 19 | 259 | 170 | 189 | .. | 23 | 103 | 44 | ... |
| Courts of Session ... ... ... | 21 | 37 | ... | 40 | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 2 | ... | .. | ... | 1 | ... | 850 | 141 | ... | .. | 1 | 14 | 16 | 9 | ... | .. | .. | ... |
| Superior Courts ... ... ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | .. | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | .. | ... | .. | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | .. | ... | ... | . | .. | . | ... |
| Total ... | 21 | 49 | ... | 6,541 | 240 | 520 | 14,320 | 1,397 | 161 | 119 | 13,513 | 1,677 | 322 | 33 | 5 | ... | 1,21,437 | 1,10,019 | 6,687 | 550 | 5,153 | 864 | 205 | 9 | 197 | 849 | 445 | ... |

*NOTE.—These figures having been included in the totals for Subordinate Magistrates are not taken into the general total at foot of the statement.

# ANNUAL STATEMENT 5 A.—(Criminal.)

(Prescribed by Government of India, Home Department, No. 13-1005 of 1882.)

## SHOWING THE PARTICULARS OF WHIPPING INFLICTED BY THE CRIMINAL TRIBUNALS.

### PART I.

Showing whippings inflicted under Sections 2 and 3, Act VI. 1864, in lieu of other punishments.

| Offences for which awarded. | Number of stripes awarded. | | | | | | | | | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | 5 and under. | | 6 to 10. | | 11 to 15. | | 16 to 20. | | 21 to 25. | | 26 to 30. | | Total. |
| | 1st conviction. | 2nd or subsequent conviction. | 1st conviction. | 2nd or subsequent conviction. | 1st conviction. | 2nd or subsequent conviction. | 1st conviction. | 2nd or subsequent conviction. | 1st conviction. | 2nd or subsequent conviction. | 1st conviction. | 2nd or subsequent conviction. | |
| 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 | 10 | 11 | 12 | 13 | 14 |
| In lieu of other punishments. (Sections 2 and 3, Act VI. 1864). | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 11 | ... | ... | ... | 11 |
| 1. Theft, as defined in Section 378, I. P. C. | 7 | ... | 98 | ... | 321 | 1 | 176 | ... | 122 | 2 | 87 | 2 | 816 |
| 1. Theft, as defined in Section 380 „ | 2 | ... | 16 | ... | 85 | ... | 67 | ... | 34 | 1 | 22 | 1 | 228 |
| 1. Theft, as defined in Section 381 „ | ... | ... | 7 | ... | 29 | ... | 30 | ... | 12 | ... | 16 | ... | 94 |
| 1. Theft, as defined in Section 382 „ | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... |
| 2. Extortion, as defined in Section 388 „ | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... |
| 2. Extortion, as defined in Section 389 „ | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... |
| 3. Dishonestly receiving stolen property, as defied in Section 411 „ | ... | ... | ... | ... | 3 | ... | 1 | ... | 1 | .. | 1 | ... | 6 |
| 3. Dishonestly receiving stolen property, as defied in Section 412 „ | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... |
| 4. Lurking house-trespass, as defined in Section 443 ... „ | ... | ... | 2 | ... | 5 | ... | 1 | ... | 2 | ... | ... | ... | 10 |
| 5. Lurking house-trespass by night, as defined in Section 444 ... „ | ... | ... | 8 | .. | 6 | ... | 4 | ... | 3 | 1 | 13 | 1 | 36 |
| 6. House-breaking, as defined in Section 445 ... „ | ... | ... | 11 | ... | 15 | ... | 12 | ... | 7 | ... | 6 | ... | 51 |
| 7. House breaking by night, as defined in Section 446 ... „ | ... | ... | 3 | ... | 25 | ... | 37 | ... | 34 | 1 | 28 | ... | 128 |
| 8. Offences under Section 14, Act III. 1880 ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... |
| 9. Prison Act No. 26 of 1870, Section 47 ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 1 | ... | ... | ... | 1 |
| | | | | | | | | | | | | | 1,381 |

NOTE.—Include juveniles punished under any of these heads.

## PART II.

Showing whippings inflicted in addition to other punishments Sections 3 and 4, Act VI. of 1864.

| Offences for which awarded. | Number of stripes. | | | | | | Total. | Remarks. |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | 5 and under. | 6 to 10. | 11 to 15. | 16 to 20. | 21 to 25 | 26 to 30. | | |
| 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 |
| In addition to other punishments (Sections 3 and 4) | | | | | | | | |
| A.—SECTION 3. | | | | | | | | |
| 1. Theft, as defined in ... Section 378, I. P. C. | ... | 1 | 5 | 6 | 5 | 23 | 40 | |
| Section 380 „ ... | ... | ... | 2 | 2 | 9 | 4 | 17 | |
| Section 381 „ ... | ... | ... | 1 | 2 | ... | 3 | 6 | |
| Section 382 „ ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | .. | |
| 2. Extortion, as defined in Section 388 „ ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | |
| Section 389 „ ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | |
| 3. Dishonestly receiving stolen property, as defined in Section 411 „ ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | |
| Section 412 „ ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | |
| 4. Lurking house-trespass, as defined in Section 443 ... „ ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 1 | 1 | |
| 5. Lurking house-trespass by night, as defined in Section 444 ... „ ... | ... | ... | 1 | 3 | ... | 2 | 6 | |
| 6. House-breaking, as defined in Section 445 ... „ ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | |
| 7. House-breaking by night, as defined in Section 446 ... „ ... | ... | ... | 1 | 6 | ... | 3 | 10 | |
| 8. Offences under Section 14, Act III. 1880 ... „ ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | |
| B.—SECTION 4. | | | | | | | | |
| 1. False evidence, as defined in Section 193, I. P. C. | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | |
| Section 194 „ ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | |
| Section 195 „ ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | |
| 2. False charge of unnatural offence, as defined in Section 211 and 377 ... „ ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | |
| 3. Assault, as defined in Section 354 ... „ .. | ... | ... | .. | ... | ... | ... | ... | |
| 4. Rape, as defined in Section 375 ... „ ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | |
| 5. Unnatural offence, as defined in Section 377 ... „ ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | |
| 6. Robbery, as defined in Section 390 .. „ .. | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | |
| 7. Dacoity, as defined in Section 391 ... „ ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | |
| 8. Attempt at robbery, as defined in Section 393 ... „ ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | |
| 9. Hurt in committing robbery, as defined in Section 394 .. „ ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | |
| 10. Receiving stolen property, as defined in Section 413 ... „ ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | |
| 11. Forgery, as defined in Section 463 „ ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | |
| Section 466 „ ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | |
| Section 467 „ ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | |
| Section 468 „ ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | |
| Section 469 „ ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | |
| 12. Lurking house-trespass, as defined in Section 443 ... „ ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | |
| 13. Lurking house-trespass by night, as defined in Section 444 ... „ ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | |
| 14. House-breaking, as defined in Section 445 ... „ ... | ... | ... | 1 | 4 | 1 | 3 | 9 | |
| 15. House-breaking by night, as defined in Section 446 ... „ ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 3 | 3 | |
| | | | | | | Total ... | 92 | |

# PART III.

## Showing whippings inflicted under Section 5, Act VI., 1864, on Juveniles for than those specified in Parts I. and II.

| Offences. | Stripes. | | | | | | | | | | | | Total. |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | 5 and under. | | 6 to 10. | | 11 to 15. | | 16 to 20. | | 21 to 25. | | 26 to 30. | | |
| | First conviction. | Subsequent conviction. | First conviction. | Subsequent conviction. | First conviction. | Subsequent conviction. | First conviction. | Subsequent conviction. | First conviction. | Subsequent conviction. | First conviction. | Subsequent conviction. | |
| 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 | 10 | 11 | 12 | 13 | 14 |
| Rioting ...S. 147, I P C. | ... | ... | .. | ... | 2 | .. | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 2 |
| Exposure of a child under 12 years of age by parent or person having care of it with intention of wholly abandoning it ... „ 317 „ | ... | ... | 1 | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 1 |
| Voluntarily cause hurt ... „ 323 „ | ... | ... | ... | ... | 1 | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 1 |
| Ditto ... „ 324 „ | ... | ... | .. | ... | 1 | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 1 |
| Ditto ... „ 352 „ | ... | ... | ... | .. | 1 | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | |
| Criminal force or assault .. „ 354 „ | ... | ... | ... | .. | ... | ... | ... | ... | 1 | ... | 2 | ... | 3 |
| Rape ... „ 376 „ | . | ... | ... | ... | 1 | ... | 1 | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 2 |
| Unnatural offence .. „ 377 „ | ... | .. | ... | .. | ... | ... | 1 | . | .. | ... | ... | ... | 1 |
| Ditto ... „ 511 „ | ... | ... | ... | ... | .. | ... | 1 | ... | ... | .. | ... | ... | 1 |
| Mischief by fire with intent to destroy a house „ 436 „ | ... | ... | ... | .. | 1 | .. | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 1 |
| Offences under Section 44, Act IV of 1879 | ... | ... | 2 | ... | .. | .. | ... | ... | ... | .. | ... | ... | 2 |
| Police Act V. of 1861 ... .. | 2 | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 2 |
| Total ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 18 |

## PART IV.

Showing relative number of times whipping was awarded as compared with other punishments.

| Punishments | Number. | Remarks |
|---|---|---|
| 1 | 2 | 3 |
| 1 Total number of whippings awarded * | 1,491 | |
| 2 Total number of other punishments † | 21,209 | |
| Percentage of whippings —— —— ... | 7·0 | |

* Total of column 14, Parts I and III., and of colum 1 8, Part II.

† Not counting punishments of which whipping was a part, but including all cases in which whipping might have been inflicted.

# JUDICIAL STATEMENT No. 6.—(Criminal.)

Statement showing the result of Appeals and Revision in Criminal Cases in the Central Provinces, in the year 1885.

| Tribunal. | Number of Persons. | | | | | | | | | | | Average number of days during which each appeal lasted. | Remarks. |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | Total number of appellants and applicants for revision before the Courts. | Died, escaped, or transferred to another Province. | Appeals or applications rejected. | Sentence or order confirmed. | Sentence enhanced. | Sentence reduced or otherwise altered. | Sentence reversed. | Proceedings quashed. | New trial or further enquiry ordered. | Referred for revision to the High Court. | Pending trial. | | |
| | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 | 10 | 11 | 12 | 13 | 14 |
| *Appeals* | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| To Chief Magistrates of Districts ... ... | 1,469 | ... | 180 | 670 | ... | 170 | 394 | ... | 9 | ... | 55 | 12·6 | |
| „ Courts of Session ... ... | 1,087 | 1 | 427 | 344 | ... | 94 | 184 | ... | 37 | ... | 37 | 18·1 | |
| Superior Courts ... { by persons convicted ... ... | 184 | 2 | 91 | 36 | ... | 15 | 12 | ... | 1 | ... | 23 | 22·6 | |
| { by Government from judgments of acquittal ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ..... | |
| Total .. | 2,740 | 3 | 698 | 1,050 | ... | 279 | 590 | ... | 47 | ... | 120 | 15·9 | |
| *Revision.* | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| By Chief Magistrates of Districts ... ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ..... | |
| „ Courts of Session ... ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ..... | |
| „ Superior Courts ... ... | 1,114 | ... | 167 | 499 | 14 | 56 | 123 | 2 | 2 | ... | 253 | 16 2 | |
| Total ... | 1,114 | ... | 167 | 499 | 14 | 56 | 123 | 2 | 2 | ... | 253 | 16·2 | |
| Grand Total ... | 3,854 | 3 | 865 | 1,549 | 14 | 335 | 713 | 2 | 49 | ... | 373 | 15·9 | |

# JUDICIAL STATEMENT No. 13.—(Civil and Criminal).

Statement showing use of Juries and Assessors in the Civil and Criminal Courts in the Central Provinces, in the year 1885.

| Class of Courts in which Jurors or Assessors are employed; distinguishing Criminal from Civil Courts | Established or average number of Jury or Assessors in each case and prescribed qualifications. | Jury trials. | | | | | | | Assessors' trials. | | | Remarks. |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | | Number of cases tried by Jury. | Number of cases tried with Assessors | Cases in which the Judge approved of the verdict. | Cases in which Judge did not approve of the verdict. | | Number of persons of the verdict in respect to whom the Judge disapproved. | | Number of cases in which Judge agreed with Assessors. | Number of cases in which Judge differed from. | | |
| | | | | | Wholly. | Partially. | Whose cases he referred under Section 307, C. P. C. | Whose cases he did not refer under Section 307, C. P. C. | | One Assessor. | Both Assessors. | |
| 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 | 10 | 11 | 12 | 13 |
| I.—Civil Courts. | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Chief Courts of Districts (or officer specially empowered) acting under Act X. of 1870. Assessors ... | The prescribed qualification and good character. | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | |
| II.—Criminal Courts. | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Magistrates' Courts under Chapter XXXIX. C. P. C. Jurors ... | | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | |
| Courts of Session Jurors ... | | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | |
| Courts of Session Assessors ... | | ... | 95 | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 61 | 9 | 25 | |
| High Court, Original Criminal Jurisdiction Jurors ... | | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | |
| Total ... | ... | ... | 95 | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 61 | 9 | 25 | |

STATEMENT showing the general result of the trial of Euopean

| Description of offence. | Number of persons accused and brought before a Magistrate. | | | | | | | | Persons whose cases | | | | | | | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | Remaining at the close of the previous year. | Within the year. | | | | | Died, escaped or transferred to other Provinces. | Number actually brought to trial. | By District Magistrates and other 1st Class Magistrates. | | | | | | By Courts of Session. | | | | |
| | | On complaint Section 191 (a) Criminal Procedure Code. | On police report, Section 191 (b) of the Code. | By Magistrate *Suo Motu* Section 191 (c) of the Code. | On transfer from another Province. | Total. | | | Received by transfer under Section 451 B of the Code. | Convicted. | Acquitted or discharged. | Committed. To Court of Session. | Committed. To High Court. | Transferred by order under Section 451 B. of the Code. | Total omitting entries in columns 10 and 15. | Received by transfer under Section 451 B. of the Code. | Convicted. | Acquitted or discharged. | Transferred to High Court under Section 449 of the Code. | Total exclusive of column 17. |
| 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 | 10 | 11 | 12 | 13 | 14 | 15 | 16 | 17 | 18 | 19 | 20 | 21 |
| Offences against the State, Chapter VI of the Indian Penal Code ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | .. | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | .. | ... | ... |
| Offences relating to the Army and Navy Chapter VII. ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | .. | .. | ... | ... | .. | ... | ... | ... | .. | ... | ... | ... | .. | ... | ... |
| Ditto against the public tranquility Chapter VIII. ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | .. | ... | .. | ... | ... | .. | ... | ... | ... | ... | .. | ... | ... | ... | ... |
| Ditto by or relating to public servants, Chapter IX. | .. | ... | ... | .. | ... | .. | ... | ... | ... | .. | .. | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... |
| Contempts of the lawful authority of public servants, Chapter X. ... | ... | .. | ... | ... | ... | .. | ... | ... | ... | .. | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | .. | ... | ... | ... | ... |
| False evidence and offences against public justice, Chapter XI. ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | .. | .. | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | .. | .. | ... | ... | ... | ... |
| Offences relating to coin and Government Stamps, Chapter XII. ... | .. | ... | ... | ... | ... | .. | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... |
| Offences relating to weights and measures, Chapter XIII. ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | .. | .. | .. | ... | ... | ... | ... | .. | ... | ... | ... | .. | ... | ... | ... |
| Offences affecting the public health, safety convenience, decency and morals, Chapter XIV. ... | ... | .. | .. | ... | ... | ... | .. | ... | ... | ... | .. | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... |
| Offences relating to religion, Chapter XV. | .. | .. | .. | ... | ... | .. | .. | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... |
| Offences affecting the human body Chapter XVI. — Offences affecting life ... | ... | ... | .. | ... | ... | .. | .. | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... |
| Causing of miscarriage, injuries to unborn children, exposure of infants, and the concealment of births ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | .. | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... |
| Hurt ... | ... | 6 | ... | ... | ... | 6 | .. | 6 | ... | 3 | 3 | ... | .. | ... | 6 | ... | ... | .. | ... | ... |
| Wrongful restraint and wrongful confinement ... | .. | ... | .. | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | .. | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... |
| Criminal force and assault ... | .. | 3 | 1 | ... | ... | 4 | .. | 4 | ... | 4 | ... | ... | ... | .. | 4 | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... |
| Kidnapping, forcible abduction, slavery and forced labour ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | .. | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... |
| Rape ... | ... | .. | ... | ... | ... | .. | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | .. | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... |
| Unnatural offence ... | ... | .. | ... | ... | ... | .. | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | .. | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... |
| Offences against property, Chapter XVII. — Theft .. | ... | .. | ... | ... | ... | .. | ... | ... | .. | ... | ... | ... | .. | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... |
| Extortion ... | ... | ... | .. | ... | ... | .. | ... | ... | ... | .. | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | .. | ... | ... | ... |
| Robbery and dacoity ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | .. | .. | ... | .. | ... | .. | ... | ... | ... | ... | .. | ... | ... | ... |
| Criminal misappropriation of property ... | ... | ... | .. | ... | ... | ... | .. | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... |
| Criminal breace of trust ... | ... | .. | ... | ... | .. | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | .. | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... |
| Receiving of stolen property ... | .. | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... |
| Cheating .. | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | .. | ... | ... | ... | ... |
| Fraudulent deeds and dispossession of property ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | .. | ... | . | ... | .. | . | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... |
| Mischief ... | .. | 1 | .. | ... | ... | 1 | ... | 1 | ... | .. | 1 | ... | ... | ... | 1 | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... |
| Criminal trespass ... | ... | 1 | .. | ... | ... | 1 | ... | 1 | ... | 1 | .. | ... | ... | ... | 1 | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... |
| Offences relating to documents and to trade or property marks Chapter XVIII. | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | .. | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | .. | ... | ... |
| Criminal breach of contracts of service, Chapter XIX. ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... |
| Offences relating to marriage, Chapter XX. ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | .. | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... |
| Defamation, Chapter XXI. ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... |
| Criminal intimidation, insult and annoyance Chapter XXII. ... | ... | 1 | ... | ... | ... | 1 | ... | 1 | ... | ... | 1 | ... | ... | ... | 1 | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... |
| Offences under special and local laws ... | ... | ... | 4 | ... | ... | 4 | ... | 4 | ... | 3 | 1 | ... | ... | ... | 4 | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... |
| Total ... | ... | 12 | 5 | ... | ... | 17 | ... | 17 | ... | 11 | 6 | ... | ... | ... | 17 | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... |

## No. 14.—(Criminal.)

British Subjects in the Central Provinces in the year 1885.

| were disposed of. | | | | | | | Number of cases. | | | | | | Subsidiary Table. | | | | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| By High Court. | | | Total for all Courts. | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Convicted. | Acquitted. | Total. | Convicted. | Acquitted or discharged. | Total. | Number of persons under trial at the close of the year. | Brought to trial. | Disposed of. | Pending. | Number of persons who applied to the High Court for an order under Section 456 of the Code. | Of those entered in column 5 number who applied under Section 2 Act III. of 1884 for transfer or committal of their cases. | Number of persons who applied to the High Court under Section 526 of the Code for the transfer of their cases. | | | | | | | | |
| 22 | 23 | 24 | 25 | 26 | 27 | 28 | 29 | 30 | 31 | 32 | 33 | 34 | 35 | | | | | | 36 | |
| | | | | | | | | | | | | | Of the total number of persons shown in | | | | | | Of cases shown in column 30. | |
| | | | | | | | | | | | | | Column 16. | | Column 21. | | Columns 21 and 24. | | Disposed of by Magistrates. | Disposed of by Sessions Judges. |
| | | | | | | | | | | | | | Number who claimed to be tried by a mixed jury, Section 451 A (1) of the Code. | Number who did not so claim. | Number of those in column 35 (1) whose cases were transferred under Section 451 B of the Code. | Number who claimed a mixed number of assessors Section 451 (2) of the Code. | Number who did not so claim. | Number who claimed to be tried by a mixed jury, Section 451 (1) of the Code. | Number who did not so claim. | |
| | | | | | | | | | | | | | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 | 10 | 11 |
| ... | ... | ... | 3 | ... | 3 | 6 | ... | 5 | 5 | 1 | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... |
| ... | ... | ... | 4 | ... | 4 | ... | ... | 3 | 3 | ... | ... | ... | ... | 10 | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 15 | ... | ... | ... |
| ... | ... | ... | 1 | 1 | 1 | ... | ... | 1 | 1 | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... |
| ... | ... | ... | ... | 1 | 1 | ... | ... | 1 | 1 | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... |
| ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... |
| ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... |
| ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... |
| ... | ... | ... | 3 | 1 | 4 | ... | 4 | 4 | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... |
| ... | ... | ... | 11 | 6 | 17 | ... | 15 | 15 | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... |

# ADDITIONAL STATEMENTS.

[Being the principal Returns furnished by District and Sessions Courts on which the Prescribed Statements are based.]

# STATEMENT No. I.

Statement of offences reported and of persons tried, convicted and acquitted of each class of offence in Districts and Courts of Sessions of the Central Provinces during the year 1885.

| Nomenclature of offences with Chapter and Section of the Penal Code or other law applicable. | Number of Head of Crime. | Number of cases. | | | | | Number of persons. | | | | | Remarks. |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | | Offences reported. | Complaints rejected under Section 203, C. P. C. | Other cases struck off as false. | Balance returned as true. | Brought to trial during the year. | Under trial during the year. | Acquitted or discharged. | Convicted. | Died, escaped or transferred. | Remaining under trial at the close of the year. | |
| 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 | 10 | 11 | 12 | 13 |
| *1.—Offences under the Penal Code.* | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Offences against the State ... Chapter VI, Sections 121 to 130 ... | 1 | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | |
| Offences against the Army and Navy } „ VII. „ 131 to 140 .. | 2 | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | .. | |
| Offences against the public tranquillity ... } „ VIII. „ 143 to 145, 149 to 151, 157, 158 Unlawful assembly ... | 3 | 23 | ... | 2 | 21 | 13 | 111 | 20 | 89 | ... | 2 | |
| „ „ 147, 148, 152 and 153 to 156. Rioting, &c. ... | 4 | 69 | 11 | 2 | 56 | 54 | 558 | 144 | 379 | ... | 35 | |
| „ „ 160. Affray. ... | 5 | 78 | ... | ... | 78 | 77 | 344 | 52 | 271 | 4 | 17 | |
| Offences by or relating to public servants. } „ IX. „ 161 to 169. By public servants ... | 6 | 28 | 1 | ... | 27 | 27 | 33 | 16 | 16 | ... | 1 | |
| „ „ 161, 170 and 171. Relating to public servants .. | 7 | 25 | ... | ... | 25 | 26 | 38 | 6 | 30 | ... | 2 | |
| Contempts of the lawful authority of public servants. } „ X. „ 172 to 190 ... | 8 | 256 | 12 | 3 | 241 | 243 | 436 | 185 | 233 | 8 | 10 | |
| False evidence and offences against public justice. } „ XI. „ 193 to 200. False evidence ... | 9 | 43 | 3 | ... | 40 | 40 | 55 | 25 | 24 | 1 | 5 | |
| „ „ 201 to 229. Offences against public justice ... | 10 | 213 | 14 | ... | 199 | 194 | 250 | 85 | 155 | 1 | 9 | |
| Offences relating to Coin and Government stamps, } „ XII. „ 231 to 254. Offences relating to coin. | 11 | 70 | ... | 3 | 67 | 55 | 70 | 21 | 47 | ... | 2 | |
| „ „ 255 to 263. Offences relating to stamps ... | 12 | 4 | ... | ... | 4 | 4 | 4 | 4 | ... | ... | ... | |

| | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Offences relating to weights and measures. | „ | XIII. | „ | 264 to 267 .. | 13 | 80 | 4 | 1 | 75 | 76 | 90 | 20 | 69 | 1 | ... |
| Offences affecting the public health, safety, convenience, decency and morals. | „ | XIV. | „ | 269 to 278. Offences affecting the public health ... | 14 | 103 | 2 | 2 | 99 | 90 | 152 | 22 | 122 | ... | 8 |
| | | | „ | 279 to 289. Offences affecting safety. | 15 | 71 | ... | ... | 71 | 70 | 85 | 15 | 70 | ... | ... |
| | | | „ | 290 and 291. Offences affecting convenience ... | 16 | 38 | 3 | ... | 35 | 35 | 52 | 9 | 42 | 1 | ... |
| | | | „ | 292 to 294. Offences affecting decency and morals ... | 17 | 4 | ... | ... | 4 | 4 | 13 | 5 | 8 | ... | ... |
| | | | „ | 294A. Keeping Lottery office or publishing proposals for lottery ... | 17a | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... |
| Offences relating to religion | „ | XV. | „ | 295 to 298 ... | 18 | 21 | 6 | ... | 15 | 10 | 21 | 16 | 5 | ... | ... |
| Offences affecting the human body. | „ | XVI. | „ | 302 and 303. Murder ... | 19 | 132 | ... | 12 | 120 | 98 | 187 | 110 | 49 | 2 | 27 |
| | | | „ | 307. Attempt at murder ... | 20 | 24 | ... | 2 | 22 | 21 | 29 | 6 | 20 | ... | 3 |
| | | | „ | 304. Culpable homicide ... | 21 | 28 | 1 | 10 | 17 | 17 | 29 | 18 | 11 | .. | ... |
| | | | „ | 304A. Causing death by rash or negligent act ... | 21a | 9 | ... | 2 | 7 | 9 | 12 | 4 | 5 | ... | 3 |
| | | | „ | 308. Attempt at culpable homicide. | 22 | 1 | ... | ... | 1 | 1 | 1 | ... | 1 | ... | ... |
| | | | „ | 305 and 306. Abetment of suicide. | 23 | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... |
| | | | „ | 309. Attempted suicide ... | 24 | 171 | ... | 17 | 154 | 135 | 138 | 42 | 95 | ... | 1 |
| | | | „ | 311. Thuggee, &c. ... | 25 | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... |
| | | | „ | 312 to 315. Causing miscarriage ... | 26 | 2 | ... | ... | 2 | 2 | 4 | 3 | 1 | ... | ... |
| | | | „ | 316. Injury to unborn children ... | 27 | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... |
| | | | „ | 317. Exposure of infants ... | 28 | 12 | ... | ... | 12 | 9 | 9 | 3 | 6 | .. | 1 |
| | | | „ | 318. Concealment of birth by secret disposal of dead body ... | 29 | 18 | ... | 1 | 17 | 14 | 24 | 7 | 17 | .. | ... |
| | | | „ | 325. to 331 and 333. Hurt with aggravating circumstances .. | 30 | 283 | 5 | 20 | 258 | 205 | 417 | 147 | 265 | ... | 5 |
| | | | „ | 323, 324, 332 and 334 to 338. Other cases ... | 31 | 2,554 | 451 | 29 | 2,074 | 2,045 | 3,927 | 2,274 | 1,481 | 34 | 138 |
| | | | „ | 341. Wrongful restraint ... | 32 | 113 | 42 | 2 | 69 | 64 | 134 | 65 | 61 | 1 | 7 |
| | | | „ | 342 to 348. Wrongful confinement . | 33 | 129 | 28 | 14 | 87 | 75 | 164 | 122 | 38 | ... | 4 |
| | | | „ | 352 to 358. Criminal force or assault | 34 | 7,147 | 1,670 | 217 | 5,260 | 5,362 | 10,082 | 6,550 | 3,277 | 77 | 178 |
| | | | „ | 364, 366, 367. Kidnapping or forcible abduction with aggravating circumstances ... | 35 | 12 | 2 | 1 | 9 | 8 | 22 | 13 | 9 | ... | ... |
| | | | „ | 363, 365, 368, 369. Other cases ... | 36 | 21 | 4 | 1 | 16 | 15 | 19 | 11 | 8 | ... | ... |
| | | | „ | 370, 371. Slavery ... | 37 | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... |
| | | | „ | 372 and 373. Buying or selling a minor for the purpose of prostitution ... | 38 | 3 | ... | ... | 3 | 2 | 5 | 4 | 1 | ... | ... |
| | | | „ | 374. Forced labour ... | 39 | 6 | 2 | ... | 4 | 4 | 5 | 1 | 4 | ... | ... |
| | | | „ | 376. Rape ... | 40 | 83 | 1 | 17 | 65 | 45 | 61 | 41 | 17 | ... | 3 |
| | | | „ | 377. Unnatural offence ... | 41 | 31 | 1 | 4 | 26 | 21 | 25 | 14 | 11 | ... | ... |

## STATEMENT No. 1.—Contd

| Nomenclature of offences with Chapter and Section of the Penal Code or other law applicable. | Number of Head of Crime. | Number of Cases. | | | | | Number of Persons. | | | | | Remarks. |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | | Offences reported | Complaints rejected under Section 203, C. P. C. | Other cases struck off as false. | Balance returned as true. | Brought to trial during the year. | Under trial during the year. | Acquitted or discharged. | Convicted. | Died, escaped or transferred. | Remaining under trial at the close of the year. | |
| 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 | 10 | 11 | 12 | 13 |
| 1—*Offences under the Penal Code*—(Contd.) | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Offences against property, Chap. XVII ... | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Sec. 382, Theft with aggravating circumstances | 42 | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | |
| „ 379 to 381 and 401. Other cases ... | 43 | 11,544 | 165 | 538 | 10,841 | 4,935 | 7,312 | 1,612 | 5,606 | 18 | 77 | |
| „ 386 to 389. Extortion with aggravating circumstances ... | 44 | 10 | ... | 5 | 5 | 3 | 4 | 3 | 1 | ... | ... | |
| „ 384 and 385. Other cases ... | 45 | 98 | 17 | 2 | 79 | 79 | 123 | 78 | 38 | 3 | 4 | |
| „ 394, „ 392, „ 393 } Robbery. { With hurt ... | 46 | 13 | ... | 1 | 12 | 3 | 7 | 3 | 4 | ... | ... | |
| „ 394, „ 392, „ 393 } Robbery. { Other cases ... | 47 | 99 | 8 | 22 | 69 | 40 | 71 | 38 | 28 | ... | 5 | |
| „ 394, „ 392, „ 393 } Robbery. { Attempts ... | 48 | 1 | ... | ... | 1 | 1 | 1 | ... | 1 | ... | ... | |
| „ 396 Dacoity. With murder ... | 49 | 1 | ... | ... | 1 | 2 | 1 | ... | ... | ... | 1 | |
| „ 397 Dacoity. With attempt to cause death or grievous hurt | 50 | 3 | ... | ... | 3 | 2 | 6 | 2 | 4 | ... | ... | |
| „ 398 Dacoity. Attempted robbery or dacoity when armed with deadly weapons ... | 51 | 12 | ... | 1 | 11 | 2 | 8 | 5 | 3 | ... | ... | |
| „ 395, 399, 400 and 402 Dacoity. Other cases ... | 52 | 12 | ... | 4 | 8 | 4 | 22 | 6 | 16 | ... | ... | |
| „ 403 and 404. Criminal misappropriation of property ... | 53 | 154 | 7 | 4 | 143 | 144 | 172 | 48 | 120 | 1 | 3 | |
| „ 406 to 409. Criminal breach of trust ... | 54 | 394 | 44 | 12 | 338 | 272 | 332 | 121 | 199 | 5 | 7 | |
| „ 411 to 414. Receiving or habitually dealing in stolen or plundered property.. | 55 | 273 | 1 | 10 | 262 | 264 | 376 | 124 | 249 | 1 | 2 | |

| | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | | „ 417 to 420. Cheating ... | 56 | 232 | 87 | 1 | 144 | 145 | 205 | 115 | 68 | 6 | 16 |
| | | „ 421 to 424. Fraudulent deeds or disposition of property ... | 57 | 5 | 2 | ... | 3 | 3 | 8 | 8 | ... | ... | ... |
| | | „ 429 to 433 and 435 to 440... (Mischief) With aggravating circumstances ... | 58 | 312 | 21 | 21 | 270 | 93 | 120 | 56 | 53 | 1 | 10 |
| | | „ 426 to 428 and 434 ... (Mischief) Other cases ... | 59 | 385 | 112 | 9 | 264 | 240 | 755 | 382 | 352 | ... | 21 |
| | | „ 459 and 460 ... (Criminal trespass.) Resulting in death or grevious hurt. | 60 | - | ... | ... | 1 | 1 | 1 | ... | 1 | ... | ... |
| | | „ 449 to 452, 454, 455, 457 & 458. (Criminal trespass.) For commission of serious offences.. | 61 | 5,150 | 9 | 149 | 4,992 | 1,477 | 2,075 | 480 | 1,562 | 3 | 30 |
| | | „ 447, 448, 453, 456, 461 & 462. (Criminal trespass.) Other cases ... | 62 | 1,876 | 434 | 76 | 1,366 | 1,039 | 2,038 | 995 | 981 | 3 | 59 |
| Offences relating to documents and to trade or property marks. | „ XVIII, | „ 455 to 471 and 474. Forgery or uttering or possessing forged documents or papers ... | 63 | 24 | 1 | ... | 23 | 23 | 51 | 31 | 15 | 3 | 2 |
| | | „ 472 to 476 Counterfeiting or making or possessing counterfeit seal, &c., for purposes of forgery ... | 64 | 2 | 1 | ... | 1 | 1 | 1 | .. | 1 | ... | ... |
| | | „ 477. Fraudulently destroying or defacing a will or other document ... | 65 | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 1 | ... | .. | ... | 1 |
| | | „ 482, 486, 487 and 488 Using a false trade or property mark and knowingly selling property so marked .. | 66 | 1 | 1 | ... | ... | ... | . | ... | ... | ... | ... |
| | | „ 483 to 485. Counterfeiting or making or possessing a die plate or instrument for counterfeiting a trade or property mark ... | 67 | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... |
| | | „ Removing, destroying, &c., a trade property mark with intent to cause injury. | 68 | 2 | 2 | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... |
| Criminal breach of contracts and service. | „ XIX, | „ 490 to 492 .. | 69 | 4 | ... | .. | 4 | 4 | 5 | ... | 5 | ... | ... |
| ffences relating to marriage.. | „ XX, | „ 493 to 498 . | 70 | 625 | 213 | ... | 412 | 406 | 519 | 368 | 100 | 29 | 22 |
| defamation ... | „ XXI, | „ 500 to 502 ... | 71 | 697 | 355 | 1 | 341 | 337 | 484 | 372 | 90 | 6 | 16 |
| minal intimidation, insult or annoyance | „ XXII, | „ 506. The threat being to cause death or other grievous hurt ... | 72 | 49 | 21 | ... | 28 | 28 | 50 | 40 | 9 | ... | 1 |
| | | „ 504 to 510. Other cases ... | 73 | 545 | 178 | 6 | 361 | 364 | 592 | 405 | 156 | 4 | 27 |

## STATEMENT No. 1.—(Contd.)

| Nomenclature of offences with Chapter and Section of the Penal Code or other law applicable. | Number of the Head of crime. | Number of cases. | | | | | Number of persons. | | | | | Remarks. |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | | Offences reported. | Complaints rejected under Section 203, C. P. C. | Other cases struck off as false. | Balance returned as true. | Brought to trial during the year. | Under trial during the year. | Acquitted or discharged. | Convicted. | Died, escaped or transferred. | Remaining under trial at the close of the year. | |
| 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 | 10 | 11 | 12 | 13 |
| *II.—Offences under Special and Local Laws.* | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| CODE OF CRIMINAL PROCEDURE. | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Chapter VIII ... Section 107. Security for keeping the peace ... | 74 | 50 | ... | ... | 50 | 50 | 123 | 38 | 78 | 1 | 6 | |
| Chapter VIII ... Sections 109, 110. Security for good behaviour ... | 75 | 209 | ... | 14 | 195 | 197 | 250 | 89 | 153 | 1 | 7 | |
| *Breach of other Laws relating to—* | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Arms, Ammunition and Military stores ... Act II of 1878 ... ... | 76 | 44 | ... | 2 | 42 | 41 | 51 | 15 | 36 | ... | ... | |
| Cantonments, Military ... ... „ 3 of 1880 ... ... | 77 | 956 | ... | 106 | 850 | 926 | 1,021 | 106 | 901 | 8 | 6 | |
| Code of Civil Procedure .. ... „ 14 of 1882 Sec. 651 ... | 78 | 7 | ... | ... | 7 | 7 | 11 | 5 | 6 | ... | ... | |
| Coinage and Mint ... ... „ 23 of 1870 ... ... | 79 | ... | ... | .. | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | |
| Companies Act ... ... „ 6 of 1882 ... ... | 80 | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | |
| Criminal Tribes and Eunuchs ... ... „ 27 of 1871 ... ... | 81 | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | |
| Cattle trespass ... ... „ 1 of „ ... ... | 82 | 321 | 40 | 4 | 277 | 281 | 647 | 360 | 281 | 3 | 3 | |
| Contract—workmen ... ... „ 13 of 1859 ... ... | 83 | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | .. | ... | ... | ... | |
| Disputes between workmen on Railways and other public works and their employers ... „ 9 of 1860 ... ... | 84 | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | |
| Ferries ... ... „ 17 of 1878 ... ... | 85 | 8 | ... | ... | 8 | 8 | 13 | 4 | 9 | ... | ... | |

| | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Foreigners | ... | ... | „ | 3 of 1864 | ... | ... | 86 | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... |
| Forests | ... | ... | „ | 7 of 1878 | ... | ... | 87 | 734 | 3 | 63 | 668 | 475 | 1,552 | 475 | 1,059 | 9 | 9 | |
| Gambling | ... | ... | „ | 3 of 1867 | ... | ... | 88 | 48 | ... | ... | 48 | 49 | 365 | 104 | 240 | 1 | 20 | |
| Inoculation | ... | ... | „ | 13 of 1880 | ... | ... | 89 | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | |
| Land acquisition | ... | ... | „ | 10 of 1870 | ... | ... | 90 | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | |
| Marriage—Christian | ... | ... | „ | 15 of 1872 | ... | ... | 91 | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | |
| Municipalities | ... | ... | „ | 11 of 1873 | ... | ... | 92 | 1,433 | 12 | 68 | 1,353 | 1,403 | 1,483 | 189 | 1,287 | 3 | 4 | |
| Opium | ... | ... | „ | 1 of 1878 | ... | ... | 93 | 364 | ... | 8 | 356 | 350 | 435 | 122 | 305 | 2 | 6 | |
| Pandhri | ... | ... | „ | 14 of 1867 | ... | ... | 94 | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | |
| Paper Currency | ... | ... | „ | 3 of 1871 | ... | ... | 95 | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | |
| Pleaders | ... | ... | „ | 18 of 1879 | ... | ... | 96 | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | |
| Police district | ... | ... | „ | 5 of 1861 | ... | ... | 97 | 1,121 | ... | 15 | 1,106 | 1,097 | 1,120 | 76 | 1,039 | 3 | 2 | |
| Post offices | ... | ... | „ | 14 of 1866 | ... | ... | 98 | 6 | ... | ... | 6 | 5 | 6 | 3 | 2 | ... | 1 | |
| Prisons | ... | ... | „ | 26 of 1870 | ... | ... | 99 | 23 | ... | ... | 23 | 23 | 39 | 4 | 35 | ... | ... | |
| Prisoners | ... | ... | „ | 5 of 1871 | ... | .. | 100 | 2 | ... | ... | 2 | 2 | 4 | 1 | 3 | .. | ... | |
| Printing Presses | ... | ... | „ | 25 of 1867 | ... | ... | 101 | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | |
| Purchase of Soldiers' necessaries | ... | ... | „ | Mutiny Act and Act 7 of 1867 | ... | ... | 102 | 13 | ... | ... | 13 | 13 | 16 | 1 | 15 | ... | ... | |
| Railways | ... | ... | „ | 4 of 1879 | ... | ... | 103 | 58 | ... | ... | 58 | 57 | 67 | 6 | 60 | 1 | ... | |
| Registration of Documents | ... | ... | „ | 3 of 1877 | ... | ... | 104 | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | |
| Salt and saltpetre | ... | ... | „ | 8 of 1875 | ... | ... | 105 | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | |
| Spirits and drugs | ... | ... | „ | 1 of 1878 and 22 of 1881 | ... | ... | 106 | 614 | ... | 12 | 602 | 578 | 731 | 123 | 606 | ... | 2 | |
| Stamps | ... | ... | „ | 1 of 1879 | ... | ... | 107 | 52 | 1 | ... | 51 | 54 | 79 | 7 | 68 | 1 | 3 | |
| Telegraphs | .. | ... | „ | 1 of 1876 | ... | ... | 108 | 1 | ... | ... | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | ... | ... | ... | |
| Treasure trove | ... | ... | „ | 6 of 1878 | ... | ... | 109 | 10 | ... | ... | 10 | 10 | 24 | 11 | 13 | ... | ... | |
| Tolls | ... | ... | „ | 8 of 1851, 15 of 1864 | ... | ... | 110 | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | |
| Vagrancy (European) | ... | .. | „ | 9 of 1874 | ... | ... | 111 | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | |
| Volunteers | ... | ... | „ | 20 of 1869 | ... | ... | 112 | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | |
| Weights and measures | ... | ... | „ | 31 of 1871 | ... | ... | 113 | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | |
| Wilful neglect of Magistrate's order to maintain Lunatic | ... | ... | „ | 36 of 1858 | ... | ... | 114 | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | |
| Total | | | | | ... | ... | | 40,503 | 3,998 | 1,516 | 34,989 | 24,709 | 40,984 | 17,112 | 22,795 | 246 | * 834 | |

* Includes 3 persons who are in the Lunatic Asylum.

## STATEMENT No. II.

Statement of Miscellaneous Proceedings under the Criminal Procedure Code in the districts of the Central Provinces for the year 1885.

[See Prescribed Statement No. 3.]

## STATEMENT

Trial Statement of the Districts of the

| Districts. | Number of cases disposed of. | | | | | | Number of persons For disposal. | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | Inquiries under Chapter XVIII., C. Cr. P. | Summons cases. | | Warrant cases. | | Total. | Remaining at end of last year. | Brought to trial during the year. | | | |
| | | Trials under Chapter XX., C. Cr. P. | Tried summarily under Chapter XXII., C. Cr. P. | Tried under Chapter XXI. C. Cr. P. | Tried summarily under Chapter XXII., C. Cr. P. | | | Under arrest by Police. | Upon Warrant. | On Summons. | Voluntarily. |
| 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 | 10 | 11 | 12 |
| Nagpur ... | 12 | 957 | 646 | 1,130 | 66 | 2,811 | 67 | 2,310 | 347 | 1,817 | ... |
| Chanda ... | 3 | 363 | 24 | 558 | 19 | 967 | 42 | 651 | 88 | 918 | 5 |
| Bhandara ... | 7 | 291 | 87 | 590 | 133 | 1,108 | 32 | 1,170 | 133 | 659 | 17 |
| Wardha ... | 5 | 960 | 94 | 542 | 47 | 1,648 | 40 | 763 | 79 | 1,882 | 20 |
| Balaghat ... | 2 | 265 | 58 | 401 | 105 | 831 | 39 | 607 | 69 | 685 | 10 |
| Jubbulpore ... | 11 | 599 | 500 | 1,144 | 252 | 2,506 | 27 | 1,511 | 457 | 2,037 | 54 |
| Saugor ... | 12 | 906 | 16 | 981 | 11 | 1,926 | 28 | 1,559 | 186 | 1,324 | 21 |
| Damoh ... | 3 | 228 | 34 | 237 | 59 | 597 | 10 | 423 | 42 | 384 | 10 |
| Seoni ... | 6 | 203 | 84 | 352 | 172 | 817 | 32 | 497 | 121 | 758 | 2 |
| Mandla ... | 11 | 176 | 26 | 361 | 53 | 627 | 7 | 661 | 70 | 170 | ... |
| Hoshangabad ... | 6 | 844 | 28 | 790 | 10 | 1,678 | 47 | 993 | 161 | 1,433 | 31 |
| Betul ... | 5 | 342 | 19 | 295 | 6 | 667 | 11 | 384 | 71 | 628 | 14 |
| Narsinghpur ... | 5 | 813 | 40 | 625 | 24 | 1,507 | 26 | 717 | 76 | 1,833 | 1 |
| Chhindwara ... | 15 | 296 | 61 | 308 | 29 | 709 | 24 | 429 | 50 | 690 | 11 |
| Nimar ... | 6 | 357 | 97 | 414 | 15 | 889 | 48 | 535 | 70 | 670 | 15 |
| Raipur ... | 14 | 755 | 7 | 1,533 | 22 | 2,331 | 35 | 2,258 | 498 | 1,827 | 107 |
| Sambalpur ... | 14 | 437 | 21 | 815 | 30 | 1,317 | 28 | 1,580 | 156 | 475 | ... |
| Bilaspur ... | 7 | 310 | 49 | 631 | 7 | 1,004 | 24 | 1,429 | 108 | 422 | 32 |
| Total ... 1885 | 144 | 9,102 | 1,891 | 11,743 | 1,060 | 23,940 | 567 | 18,477 | 2,782 | 18,612 | 533 |
| Total ... 1884 | 166 | 9,007 | 1,794 | 10,740 | 1,366 | 23,073 | 668 | 17,208 | 2,576 | 17,338 | 428 |

No. III.—(Criminal).

Central Provinces for the year 1885.

under inquiry and trial during the year.

| Received by transfer from beyond the Central Provinces. | Total for disposal. | Disposed of. | | | | | | | | Pending | | Remarks. |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | | Discharged. | | Acquitted. | Convicted. | | Committed. | Died, escaped, or transferred beyond the Central Provinces. | Total disposed of. | Over two months. | Total pending. | |
| | | Complainant absenting himself or withdrawing complaint. | In other cases. | | On regular trial. | On summary trial. | | | | | | |
| 13 | 14 | 15 | 16 | 17 | 18 | 19 | 20 | 21 | 22 | 23 | 24 | |
| ... | 4,541 | 502 | 336 | 891 | 1,815 | 847 | 22 | 61 | 4,474 | ... | 67 | |
| ... | 1,704 | 158 | 238 | 292 | 934 | 36 | 7 | 1 | 1,666 | 1 | *39 | *Includes one person who is in the Lunatic Asylum. |
| ... | 2,011 | 218 | 184 | 393 | 807 | 344 | 8 | 15 | 1,969 | 1 | 42 | |
| ... | 2,967 | 569 | 275 | 676 | 1,203 | 210 | 6 | 5 | 2,944 | 1 | 23 | |
| ... | 1,410 | 148 | 162 | 183 | 618 | 239 | 4 | 13 | 1,367 | ... | 43 | |
| ... | 4,086 | 895 | 516 | 620 | 1,318 | 668 | 14 | 1 | 4,032 | 4 | 54 | |
| ... | 3,118 | 553 | 362 | 312 | 1,776 | 29 | 13 | 14 | 3,059 | 11 | 59 | |
| ... | 869 | 56 | 86 | 92 | 495 | 121 | 6 | 4 | 860 | 1 | 9 | |
| ... | 1,410 | 180 | 114 | 338 | 458 | 274 | 14 | 15 | 1,393 | 2 | +19 | †Do. two persons do. |
| ... | 908 | 56 | 163 | 58 | 539 | 83 | 3 | ... | 902 | ... | 6 | |
| ... | 2,665 | 634 | 401 | 315 | 1,179 | 35 | 18 | 36 | 2,618 | 1 | 47 | |
| ... | 1,108 | 186 | 100 | 235 | 540 | 20 | 1 | 9 | 1,091 | 4 | 17 | |
| ... | 2,653 | 193 | 268 | 1,034 | 997 | 56 | 19 | 33 | 2,603 | 1 | 50 | |
| ... | 1,204 | 80 | 100 | 173 | 728 | 82 | 1 | 20 | 1,184 | ... | 20 | |
| ... | 1,338 | 261 | 171 | 171 | 585 | 120 | 1 | 10 | 1,319 | ... | 19 | |
| ... | 4,725 | 588 | 479 | 589 | 2,824 | 27 | 28 | 3 | 4,538 | 59 | 187 | |
| ... | 2,239 | 129 | 282 | 225 | 1,368 | 141 | 8 | 2 | 2,155 | ... | 84 | |
| ... | 2,015 | 135 | 296 | 362 | 923 | 261 | 4 | 3 | 1,984 | 2 | 31 | |
| ... | 40,971 | 5,544 | 4,533 | 6,959 | 19,107 | 3,593 | 177 | 245 | 40,158 | 88 | 816 | |
| ... | 38,218 | 5,169 | 4,023 | 7,046 | 17,476 | 3,473 | 208 | | 37,612 | 37 | 612 | |

# STATEMENT

## Punishment Statement of Magisterial Courts and Courts of

| Districts. | Number of persons sentenced to | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | Death. | Transportation. | | Imprisonment. | | | | | | | | | | | | Total to rigorous with or without fine or whipping. | Total to simple with or without fine or whipping. | Fine only. | Whipping only. | Give security for good behaviour | Enter into bond to keep the peace, s. 118, C. Cr. P. | |
| | | For life. | For a term | Above 7 years | | 7 years and under. | | 2 years and under. | | 6 months and under. | | 2 months and under | | 15 days and under. | | | | | | With sureties | Without sureties. |
| | | | | Rigorous. | Simple. | Rigorous. | Simple. | Rigorous. | Simple. | Rigorous. | Simple. | Rigorous. | Simple. | Rigorous. | Simple. | | | | | | |
| 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 | 10 | 11 | 12 | 13 | 14 | 15 | 16 | 17 | 18 | 19 | 20 | 21 | 22 | 23 |
| Nagpur | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 13 | ... | 122 | ... | 199 | 1 | 260 | 18 | 47 | 7 | 641 | 26 | 1,916 | 48 | ... | 5 | ... |
| Chanda | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 21 | ... | 30 | ... | 78 | ... | 108 | 1 | 31 | 5 | 268 | 6 | 628 | 59 | 7 | ... | ... |
| Bhandara | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 1 | ... | 45 | ... | 104 | 1 | 123 | ... | 35 | 3 | 308 | 4 | 584 | 230 | 1 | 1 | 11 |
| Wardha | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 5 | ... | 32 | 2 | 68 | ... | 85 | 2 | 41 | 6 | 231 | 10 | 1,101 | 62 | ... | ... | ... |
| Balaghat | ... | ... | ... | 2 | ... | 9 | ... | 26 | ... | 73 | ... | 103 | 4 | 76 | 3 | 287 | 7 | 504 | 53 | 2 | ... | ... |
| Jubbulpore | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 11 | ... | 65 | ... | 193 | 6 | 115 | 7 | 24 | 11 | 408 | 24 | 1,444 | 90 | ... | 11 | 4 |
| Saugor | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 17 | ... | 99 | ... | 203 | 2 | 200 | 6 | 17 | 2 | 536 | 10 | 1,111 | 97 | 21 | 4 | ... |
| Damoh | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 6 | ... | 28 | ... | 96 | ... | 58 | 10 | 22 | ... | 210 | 10 | 337 | 47 | ... | 9 | ... |
| Seoni | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 4 | ... | 24 | ... | 66 | ... | 80 | 3 | 3 | 3 | 177 | 6 | 501 | 43 | 1 | ... | ... |
| Mandla | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 7 | ... | 26 | ... | 79 | ... | 117 | 4 | 32 | 3 | 261 | 7 | 269 | 85 | ... | ... | ... |
| Hoshangabad | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 8 | ... | 46 | ... | 157 | 11 | 165 | 16 | 7 | 3 | 383 | 30 | 749 | 26 | 1 | 8 | 6 |
| Betul | ... | ... | ... | 1 | ... | 2 | ... | 28 | ... | 69 | ... | 55 | 3 | 8 | ... | 162 | 3 | 341 | 47 | 5 | ... | ... |
| Narsinghpur | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 26 | ... | 50 | ... | 94 | ... | 131 | 4 | 31 | 3 | 332 | 7 | 678 | 23 | ... | 2 | ... |
| Chhindwara | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 14 | ... | 19 | ... | 60 | 2 | 63 | 4 | 6 | 1 | 162 | 7 | 610 | 23 | ... | 5 | ... |
| Nimar | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 1 | ... | 39 | ... | 86 | 2 | 82 | 11 | 12 | 6 | 220 | 19 | 444 | 22 | ... | ... | ... |
| Raipur | ... | ... | 9 | ... | ... | 20 | ... | 72 | ... | 364 | 1 | 387 | 13 | 45 | 17 | 888 | 31 | 1,690 | 230 | ... | ... | 3 |
| Sambalpur | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 15 | ... | 58 | ... | 399 | 1 | 133 | 8 | 15 | 3 | 620 | 12 | 755 | 118 | 2 | 2 | ... |
| Bilaspur | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 9 | ... | 39 | ... | 148 | ... | 199 | 11 | 12 | 10 | 407 | 21 | 658 | 94 | ... | ... | ... |
| Total ... 1885 | ... | ... | 12 | ... | ... | 189 | ... | 848 | 2 | 2,536 | 27 | 2,464 | 125 | 464 | 86 | 6,501 | 240 | 14,320 | 1,397 | 40 | 47 | 24 |
| Total ... 1884 | ... | ... | 14 | ... | ... | 288 | ... | 791 | 1 | 2,285 | 42 | 2,303 | 85 | 580 | 94 | 6,261 | 222 | 12,899 | 1,335 | 26 | 35 | 22 |
| Courts of Sessions 1885 | 21 | 35 | 2 | 9 | ... | 16 | ... | 14 | ... | ... | ... | 1 | ... | ... | ... | 40 | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... |
| Courts of Sessions 1884 | 19 | 38 | 1 | 1 | ... | 22 | ... | 13 | ... | 2 | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 39 | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... |
| Grand Total... 1885 | 21 | 35 | 14 | 9 | ... | 205 | ... | 862 | 2 | 2,536 | 27 | 2,465 | 125 | 464 | 86 | 6,541 | 240 | 14,320 | 1,397 | 40 | 47 | 24 |
| Grand Total... 1884 | 19 | 38 | 15 | 1 | ... | 310 | ... | 804 | 1 | 2,287 | 42 | 2,303 | 85 | 580 | 94 | 6,300 | 222 | 12,899 | 1,335 | 26 | 35 | 22 |

No. IV.

Session of the Central Provinces for the year 1885.

| Imprisonment in default of security for good behaviour. | Total. | Number of persons sentenced to additional punishment. | | | | | | | Number of persons sentenced to fine with or without imprisonment or whipping. | | | | | Number of persons sentenced to whipping with or without imprisonment or fine. | | | | No. of persons | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | | Fine and imprisonment only. | Whipping and imprisonment with or without fine. | Whipping and fine only. | Solitary confinement. | Forfeiture, or confiscation of property. | Required to give recognizance to keep the peace. | Required to give security to keep the peace. | Above Rupees 1,000. | Rupees 1,000 and under. | Rupees 500 and under. | Rupees 100 and under. | Rupees 50 and under. | Rupees 10 and under. | Total. | 21 to 30 stripes. | 11 to 20 stripes. | 10 stripes or less. | Total. | To whom compensation has been ordered to be paid from fines (Sec 545, C. Cr. P.) | Ordered to pay compensation to accused persons (Sec. 250, C. Cr. P.) |
| 24 | 25 | 26 | 27 | 28 | 29 | 30 | 31 | 32 | 33 | 34 | 35 | 36 | 37 | 38 | 39 | 40 | 41 | 42 | 43 | 44 | 45 |
| 26 | 2,662 | 126 | 12 | ... | 57 | 8 | ... | ... | ... | ... | 4 | 35 | 286 | 1,718 | 2,043 | 14 | 30 | 16 | 60 | 219 | 11 |
| 2 | 970 | 40 | 2 | ... | 34 | 29 | ... | ... | ... | ... | 2 | ... | 50 | 616 | 668 | 8 | 47 | 6 | 61 | 152 | 13 |
| 12 | 1,151 | 40 | 2 | ... | 27 | 13 | 9 | ... | ... | ... | 4 | 41 | 36 | 543 | 624 | 126 | 97 | 9 | 232 | 64 | 8 |
| 9 | 1,413 | 36 | 5 | ... | 16 | 10 | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 4 | 112 | 1,021 | 1,137 | 40 | 23 | 4 | 67 | 26 | 45 |
| 2 | 857 | 37 | 1 | ... | 26 | ... | 2 | 2 | ... | ... | ... | 2 | 67 | 472 | 541 | 3 | 32 | 19 | 54 | 60 | 18 |
| 5 | 1,986 | 57 | 12 | ... | 39 | 36 | 12 | 1 | ... | 1 | 2 | 8 | 153 | 1,337 | 1,501 | 16 | 68 | 18 | 102 | 90 | 14 |
| 26 | 1,805 | 119 | 8 | ... | 65 | 43 | 2 | 2 | ... | 1 | 3 | 17 | 191 | 1,018 | 1,230 | 19 | 73 | 13 | 105 | 84 | 37 |
| 3 | 616 | 37 | 3 | ... | 15 | 7 | 1 | 1 | ... | ... | ... | 3 | 54 | 317 | 374 | 15 | 25 | 10 | 50 | 99 | 2 |
| 4 | 732 | 34 | 4 | ... | 16 | 88 | 1 | 2 | ... | ... | 2 | 1 | 35 | 497 | 535 | 17 | 28 | 2 | 47 | 41 | 14 |
| ... | 622 | 78 | 2 | ... | ... | 80 | ... | ... | ... | ... | 1 | 3 | 79 | 264 | 347 | 1 | 73 | 13 | 87 | 22 | 2 |
| 11 | 1,214 | 126 | 2 | ... | 22 | 19 | ... | ... | ... | ... | 1 | 22 | 105 | 747 | 875 | 1 | 17 | 10 | 28 | 93 | 5 |
| 1 | 560 | 18 | 1 | ... | 4 | 32 | ... | 1 | ... | ... | ... | 2 | 59 | 298 | 359 | 12 | 30 | 6 | 48 | 74 | 47 |
| 11 | 1,053 | 104 | 1 | ... | 9 | 24 | ... | ... | ... | ... | 3 | 79 | 41 | 659 | 782 | 3 | 15 | 6 | 24 | 35 | 45 |
| 3 | 810 | 54 | 2 | .. | 6 | 4 | 5 | 5 | ... | 2 | 1 | 4 | 56 | 602 | 665 | 8 | 17 | ... | 25 | 56 | 20 |
| ... | 705 | 73 | ... | ... | 8 | 39 | ... | ... | ... | ... | 2 | 82 | 43 | 390 | 517 | 11 | 8 | 3 | 22 | 67 | 17 |
| ... | 2,851 | 95 | 3 | ... | 46 | ... | 1 | ... | ... | ... | 7 | 11 | 186 | 1,581 | 1,785 | 54 | 161 | 18 | 233 | 97 | 16 |
| ... | 1,509 | 40 | 24 | ... | 30 | 49 | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 3 | 50 | 742 | 795 | 50 | 53 | 39 | 142 | 152 | 10 |
| 4 | 1,184 | 110 | 10 | ... | 21 | 39 | 3 | ... | ... | ... | 1 | 5 | 74 | 689 | 769 | 47 | 52 | 5 | 104 | 91 | 12 |
| 119 | 22,700 | 1,224 | 94 | ... | 441 | 520 | 36 | 14 | ... | 4 | 33 | 322 | 1,677 | 13,511 | 15,547 | 445 | 849 | 197 | 1,491 | 1,522 | 335 |
| 147 | 20,947 | 1,174 | 109 | 5 | 416 | 213 | 16 | 9 | ... | 1 | 37 | 285 | 1,339 | 12,413 | 14,075 | 432 | 848 | 169 | 1,449 | 1,040 | 325 |
| ... | 98 | 3 | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 1 | ... | ... | ... | 2 | 3 | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... |
| ... | 96 | 3 | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 1 | ... | 1 | ... | 1 | ... | 3 | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... |
| 119 | 22,798 | 1,227 | 94 | ... | 441 | 520 | 36 | 14 | ... | 5 | 33 | 322 | 1,677 | 13,513 | 15,550 | 445 | 849 | 197 | 1,491 | 1,522 | 335 |
| 147 | 21,043 | 1,177 | 109 | 5 | 416 | 213 | 16 | 9 | 1 | 1 | 38 | 285 | 1,340 | 12,413 | 14,078 | 432 | 848 | 169 | 1,449 | 1,040 | 325 |

## Fine Accounts of Districts and Court

### A.—Administration.

| Districts. | Amount of realization. | | | Amount realized, &c. | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | Balance remaining to be realized at the close of last year. | Amount of fines imposed during the year. | Total for realization. | Realized during the year. | Become unrealizable. Owing to reversal of sentence. | Become unrealizable. Through lapse of time or otherwise struck off under sanction of Deputy Commissioner. | Total. |
| 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 |
| Nagpur ... | 1,735 1 2 | 16,879 0 6 | 18,614 1 8 | 15,507 10 5 | 1,807 8 9 | 392 7 0 | 17,707 10 2 |
| Chanda ... | 600 7 5 | 4,256 0 0 | 4,856 7 5 | 4,186 11 7 | 51 5 0 | 69 15 2 | 4,307 15 9 |
| Bhandara ... | 895 9 3 | 4,787 6 3 | 5,682 15 6 | 4,844 3 3 | 5 0 0 | ..... | 4,849 3 3 |
| Wardha ... | 476 8 0 | 6,928 3 6 | 7,404 11 6 | 6,769 4 9 | 127 2 0 | ..... | 6,896 6 9 |
| Balaghat ... | 875 14 8 | 3,417 4 0 | 4,293 2 8 | 3,180 0 0 | ..... | 372 0 6 | 3,552 0 6 |
| Jubbulpore .. | 2,125 10 4 | 10,137 9 0 | 12,263 3 4 | 9,717 1 3 | 94 14 0 | 566 8 2 | 10,378 7 5 |
| Saugor ... | 2,810 0 4 | 10,999 5 0 | 13,809 5 4 | 9,950 12 9 | 15 0 0 | 1,309 10 9 | 11,275 7 6 |
| Damoh ... | 415 7 5 | 3,119 3 3 | 3,534 10 8 | 3,048 1 2 | 25 0 0 | 244 6 8 | 3,317 7 10 |
| Seoni ... | 69 4 0 | 3,561 2 0 | 3,630 6 0 | 2,874 5 3 | 24 0 0 | 49 4 0 | 2,947 9 3 |
| Mandla ... | 130 6 6 | 3,428 7 0 | 3,558 13 6 | 3,138 3 7 | 30 0 0 | 64 3 6 | 3,232 7 1 |
| Hoshangabad .. | 1,071 3 0 | 8,215 8 4 | 9,286 11 4 | 6,284 6 2 | 210 12 6 | 709 12 6 | 7,204 15 2 |
| Betul ... | 249 11 6 | 2,653 12 0 | 2,903 7 6 | 2,478 12 6 | 71 0 0 | 184 8 9 | 2,734 5 3 |
| Narsinghpur ... | 749 1 0 | 7,371 0 0 | 8,120 1 0 | 6,553 4 6 | 609 14 3 | 22 12 0 | 7,185 14 9 |
| Chhindwara ... | 309 3 9 | 5,162 8 0 | 5,471 11 9 | 3,870 12 9 | 1,275 11 6 | 131 6 0 | 5,277 14 3 |
| Nimar ... | 1,685 4 8 | 5,589 1 9 | 7,274 6 5 | 4,903 3 0 | 50 0 0 | 114 9 3 | 5,067 12 3 |
| Raipur ... | 3,574 12 6 | 14,920 7 9 | 18,495 4 3 | 14,166 12 1 | 730 0 0 | 425 11 3 | 15,322 7 4 |
| Sambalpur ... | 2,534 6 0 | 3,101 1 9 | 5,635 7 9 | 2,802 15 9 | 30 0 0 | 867 8 4 | 3,700 8 1 |
| Bilaspur ... | 1,100 11 1 | 6,059 9 3 | 7,160 4 4 | ‡5,601 6 9 | 5 0 0 | 617 2 8 | 6,223 9 5 |
| Total ... | 21,408 10 7 | 120,586 9 4 | 141,995 3 11 | 109,877 15 6 | 5,162 4 0 | 6,141 14 6 | 121,182 2 0 |
| Courts of Session.. | 490 14 8 | 850 0 0 | 1,340 14 8 | 140 12 2 | ..... | ..... | 140 12 2 |
| ...l ... | 21,899 9 3 | 121,436 9 4 | 143,33[illegible] | 110,018 11 8 | 5,162 4 0 | 6,141 14 6 | [illegible] |

6 errone[illegible] ...nd Rs. 22-15-0 realized out of [illegible]

e Central Provinces, for the year 1885.

B.—Cash.

| Dr. | | | | | | Cr. | | | | | | | | | | | | Dr. | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Balance in hand at close of last year. | | | Total of columns 5 and 10. | | | Paid as compensation to complainants or injured parties. | | | Paid as rewards. | | | Refunded on account of fines reversed after realization. | | | Paid into the Treasury to credit of Government or Municipal fund (Municipal and Gambling Acts.) | | | Total. | | | Balance in hand or in deposit. | | |
| 10 | | | 11 | | | 12 | | | 13 | | | 14 | | | 15 | | | 16 | | | 17 | | |
| | | | | | | * | | | * | | | * | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 349 | 0 | 0 | 15,856 | 10 | 5 | 1,042 | 14 | 6 | 94 | 0 | 0 | 987 | 0 | 0 | 15,469 | 10 | 5 | 15,469 | 10 | 5 | 387 | 0 | 0 |
| 287 | 9 | 0 | 4,474 | 4 | 7 | 655 | 12 | 0 | 53 | 8 | 0 | ..... | | | 3,594 | 0 | 7 | 4,303 | 4 | 7 | 171 | 0 | 0 |
| 28 | 8 | 0 | 4,872 | 11 | 3 | 584 | 2 | 0 | 99 | 4 | 0 | ..... | | | 4,259 | 4 | 9 | 4,942 | 10 | 9 | † 439 | 9 | 0 |
| 9 | 523 | 0 | 0 | 7,292 | 4 | 9 | 1,013 | 10 | 0 | 66 | 4 | 0 | 119 | 8 | 0 | 6,010 | 2 | 9 | 7,209 | 8 | 9 | 82 | 12 | 0 |
| 2 | 41 | 0 | 0 | 3,221 | 0 | 0 | $ 161 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 0 | 0 | * 176 | 0 | 0 | 3,017 | 2 | 6 | 3,107 | 0 | 0 | 114 | 0 | 0 |
| 11 | 11 | 46 | 8 | 0 | 9,763 | 9 | 3 | 333 | 3 | 0 | 234 | 14 | 0 | ..... | | | 9,028 | 12 | 3 | 9,596 | 13 | 3 | 166 | 12 | 0 |
| 13 | 10 | 316 | 13 | 10 | 10,267 | 10 | 7 | 661 | 2 | 6 | 452 | 5 | 9 | 25 | 5 | 0 | 8,764 | 3 | 6 | 9,903 | 0 | 9 | 364 | 9 | 10 |
| 2 | 10 | 315 | 6 | 0 | 3,363 | 7 | 2 | 549 | 12 | 11 | 27 | 0 | 0 | ..... | | | 2,582 | 4 | 3 | 3,159 | 1 | 2 | 204 | 6 | 0 |
| 9 | | 34 | 8 | 0 | 2,908 | 13 | 3 | 394 | 0 | 0 | 120 | 0 | 0 | 10 | 0 | 0 | 2,347 | 13 | 3 | 2,871 | 13 | 3 | 37 | 0 | |
| | | 220 | 0 | 0 | 3,358 | 3 | 7 | 332 | 14 | 9 | 208 | 0 | 0 | 7 | 12 | 0 | 2,592 | 12 | 5 | 3,141 | 7 | 2 | 216 | | |
| 2 | | 204 | 8 | 9 | 6,488 | 14 | 11 | 114 | 3 | 6 | 293 | 8 | 0 | ..... | | | 5,792 | 11 | 5 | 6,200 | 6 | 11 | 288 | 8 | |
| 2 | 3 | 110 | 11 | 9 | 2,589 | 8 | 3 | 186 | 13 | 9 | 65 | 8 | 0 | 0 | 12 | 0 | 2,307 | 4 | 6 | 2,560 | 6 | 3 | 29 | 2 | 0 |
| | 3 | 115 | 4 | 0 | 6,668 | 8 | 6 | 479 | 0 | 0 | 111 | 8 | 0 | 132 | 0 | 0 | 5,763 | 1 | 6 | 6,485 | 9 | 6 | 182 | 15 | 0 |
| 13 | 6 | 95 | 4 | 0 | 3,966 | 0 | 9 | 149 | 13 | 0 | 42 | 12 | 0 | 14 | 0 | 0 | 3,683 | 3 | 9 | 3,889 | 12 | 9 | 76 | 4 | |
| 10 | 2 | 25 | 12 | 0 | 4,928 | 15 | 0 | 156 | 6 | 9 | 131 | 0 | 0 | ..... | | | 4,690 | 3 | 3 | 4,877 | 10 | 0 | 51 | 5 | |
| 12 | 11 | 314 | 4 | 0 | 14,481 | 0 | 1 | 443 | 0 | 3 | 626 | 0 | 0 | ..... | | | 13,064 | 15 | 10 | 14,134 | 0 | 1 | 347 | 0 | |
| 15 | 8 | 47 | 13 | 0 | 2,850 | 12 | 9 | 94 | 0 | 3 | 121 | 0 | 0 | ..... | | | 2,420 | 5 | 3 | 2,635 | 5 | 6 | 215 | 7 | |
| | | 85 | 8 | 0 | 5,686 | 14 | 9 | 456 | 2 | 9 | 3 | 0 | 0 | 205 | 0 | 0 | 4,677 | 12 | 0 | 5,341 | 14 | 9 | 245 | | |
| | 3,161 | 6 | 4 | 113,039 | 5 | 10 | 6,686 | 14 | 11 | 2,662 | 7 | 9 | 514 | 5 | 0 | 99,965 | 12 | 2 | 109,829 | 7 | 10 | 3,719 | | |
| | ..... | | | 140 | 12 | 2 | ..... | | | ..... | | | ..... | | | 140 | 12 | 2 | 140 | 12 | 2 | | | |
| 3 | 11 | 3,161 | 6 | 4 | 113,180 | 2 | 0 | 6,686 | 14 | 11 | 2,662 | 7 | 9 | 514 | 5 | 0 | 100,106 | 8 | 4 | 109,970 | 4 | 0 | | | |

irect from Treasury.
were in deposit at close of the previous year.
0 paid direct from the Treasury.

# STATEMENT No. VI.

## Duration Statement of the Districts of the Central Provinces for the year 1885.

| Districts. | A.—Police Cases. | | | | | | | | | | | | | B.—Cases on Complaint. | | | | | | | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | No. of Cases. | | | | | | | | | | | | | No. of cases. | | | | | | | | | | |
| | Detail according to their duration. | | | | | | | | | | | | | Detail according to their duration. | | | | | | | | | | |
| | 1 day. | 2 days. | 3 days. | 4 days. | 5 to 7 days. | 8 to 10 days. | 11 to 15 days. | 16 to 20 days. | 21 to 30 days. | Above 30 days. | Total number of cases. | Total number of days. | Average duration (in days and tenths of days) of each cases. | 1 to 4 days. | 5 to 7 days. | 8 to 10 days. | 11 to 15 days. | 16 to 20 days. | 21 to 30 days. | 31 to 45 days. | Above 45 days. | Total number of cases (plus col. 3, corresponding with col. 7, Stt. III. | Total duration in days. | Average duration (in days of cases. |
| 1 | 2 | | | | | | | | | | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | | | | | | | | 7 | 8 | 9 |
| Nagpur ... | 1,029 | 136 | 45 | 50 | 101 | 76 | 69 | 30 | 41 | 25 | 1,602 | 6,351 | 3·9 | 53 | 103 | 146 | 298 | 155 | 246 | 123 | 85 | 1,209 | 25,027 | 21· |
| Chanda ... | 201 | 46 | 16 | 11 | 27 | 22 | 18 | 5 | 9 | 3 | 448 | 1,487 | 3·3 | 27 | 42 | 74 | 113 | 88 | 112 | 53 | 10 | 519 | 9,053 | 17· |
| Bhandara ... | 443 | 94 | 33 | 11 | 18 | 17 | 23 | 7 | 6 | 3 | 655 | 1,909 | 2·9 | 25 | 23 | 49 | 102 | 80 | 88 | 59 | 11 | 437 | 8,490 | 19· |
| Wardha ... | 227 | 65 | 18 | 22 | 41 | 26 | 34 | 21 | 16 | 12 | 483 | 2,667 | 5·5 | 169 | 81 | 131 | 246 | 174 | 208 | 106 | 50 | 1,165 | 24,115 | 21· |
| Balaghat ... | 266 | 34 | 15 | 3 | 23 | 22 | 15 | 8 | 8 | 5 | 399 | 1,587 | 4·0 | 33 | 16 | 31 | 97 | 65 | 106 | 58 | 26 | 432 | 9,217 | 21· |
| Jubbulpore ... | 618 | 108 | 48 | 39 | 42 | 42 | 45 | 17 | 17 | 16 | 992 | 3,732 | 3·8 | 140 | 139 | 264 | 308 | 244 | 226 | 135 | 58 | 1,514 | 25,951 | 17· |
| Saugor ... | 690 | 122 | 45 | 35 | 46 | 45 | 47 | 21 | 27 | 28 | 1,106 | 4,777 | 4·3 | 108 | 95 | 154 | 176 | 94 | 118 | 51 | 24 | 820 | 12,362 | 15· |
| Damoh ... | 233 | 21 | 3 | 7 | 10 | 8 | 5 | 2 | 3 | ... | 293 | 588 | 2·0 | 22 | 39 | 68 | 67 | 46 | 47 | 13 | 2 | 304 | 4,263 | 14· |
| Seoni ... | 170 | 55 | 19 | 9 | 23 | 20 | 21 | 7 | 6 | 6 | 336 | 1,451 | 4·3 | 19 | 27 | 62 | 115 | 70 | 103 | 61 | 24 | 481 | 9,642 | 20· |
| Mandla ... | 383 | 47 | 8 | 3 | 16 | 11 | 15 | 7 | 4 | 5 | 499 | 1,390 | 2·7 | 4 | 6 | 7 | 22 | 12 | 28 | 28 | 21 | 128 | 3,735 | 29· |
| Hoshangabad ... | 440 | 76 | 53 | 17 | 43 | 39 | 24 | 9 | 14 | 9 | 724 | 2,632 | 3·4 | 83 | 106 | 139 | 208 | 137 | 163 | 84 | 34 | 954 | 16,335 | 17· |
| Betul ... | 228 | 18 | 9 | 6 | 13 | 11 | 2 | 2 | 3 | 2 | 294 | 705 | 2·4 | 40 | 28 | 69 | 99 | 65 | 40 | 27 | 5 | 373 | 5,605 | 15· |
| Narsinghpur ... | 207 | 47 | 27 | 14 | 30 | 17 | 35 | 14 | 18 | 2 | 411 | 1,967 | 4·8 | 100 | 104 | 150 | 253 | 182 | 173 | 92 | 42 | 1,096 | 19,619 | 17· |
| Chhindwara ... | 182 | 35 | 17 | 4 | 16 | 12 | 20 | 7 | 10 | 5 | 308 | 1,402 | 4·5 | 26 | 23 | 49 | 106 | 72 | 82 | 33 | 10 | 401 | 7,238 | 18· |
| Nimar ... | 217 | 61 | 38 | 9 | 28 | 23 | 23 | 10 | 12 | 4 | 425 | 1,791 | 4·2 | 35 | 27 | 58 | 127 | 69 | 86 | 49 | 13 | 464 | 8,202 | 17· |
| Raipur ... | 861 | 172 | 72 | 21 | 62 | 46 | 48 | 32 | 37 | 38 | 1,389 | 6,359 | 4·5 | 67 | 74 | 109 | 151 | 118 | 178 | 119 | 126 | 942 | 22,912 | 24· |
| Sambalpur ... | 590 | 110 | 69 | 22 | 60 | 36 | 17 | 24 | 22 | 13 | 963 | 3,783 | 3·9 | 3 | 18 | 40 | 92 | 61 | 63 | 45 | 32 | 354 | 7,540 | 21· |
| Bilaspur ... | 311 | 134 | 74 | 47 | 35 | 28 | 26 | 11 | 19 | 12 | 697 | 2,996 | 4·3 | 10 | 8 | 11 | 63 | 48 | 49 | 76 | 42 | 307 | 8,327 | 27· |
| Total... 1885... | 7,386 | 1,382 | 609 | 330 | 634 | 501 | 488 | 234 | 273 | 188 | 12,024 | 47,574 | 4·0 | 964 | 959 | 1,611 | 2,643 | 1,780 | 2,116 | 1212 | 615 | 11,900 | 2 | 9· |
| Total... 1884... | 7,827 | 1,255 | 547 | 315 | 518 | 399 | 380 | 196 | 192 | 138 | 11,767 | 40,019 | 3·4 | 1,066 | 1,353 | 1,917 | 2,510 | 1,604 | 1,646 | 839 | 366 | 11 | | |